

# Introduction to statistics / statistical tools & the HistFitter framework

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# Overview

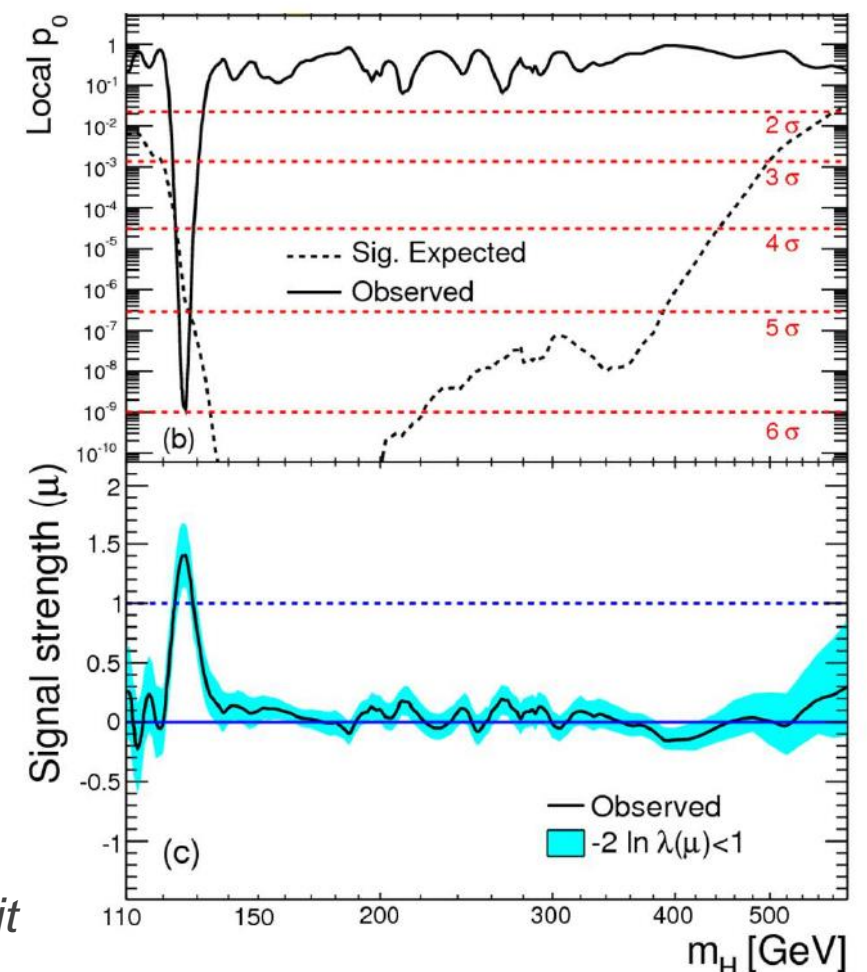
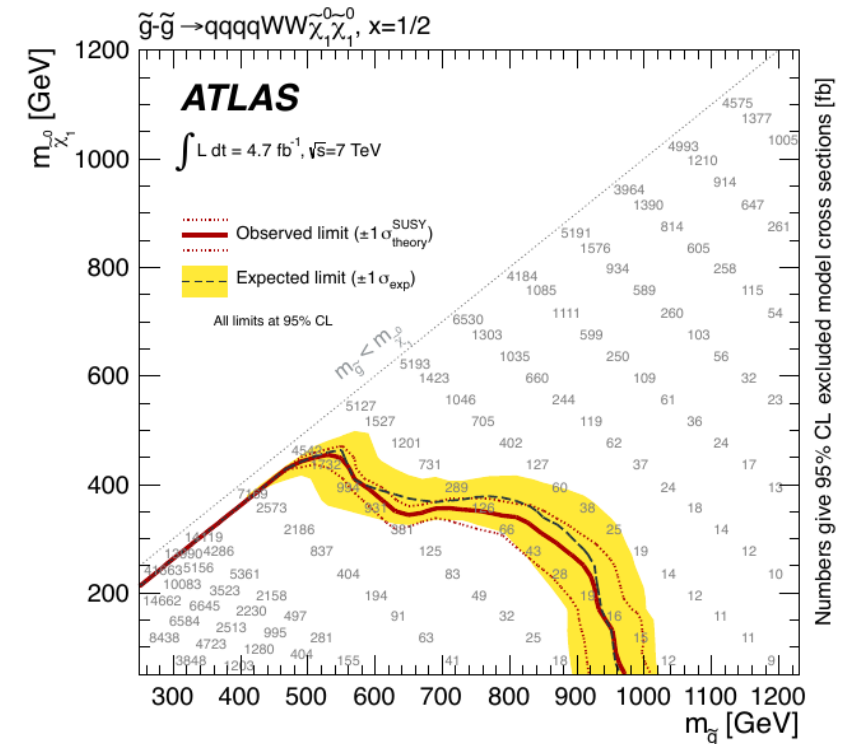
- Introduction to statistics (short)
- Introduction to statistical analysis (RooFit, RooStats, HistFactory)
- HistFitter overview
  - Introduction & strategy
- HistFitter tutorial
  - Running a fit & visualization
  - Calculating limits

# Introduction to HEP statistics

*Largely borrowed from lectures/slides by W. Verkerke*

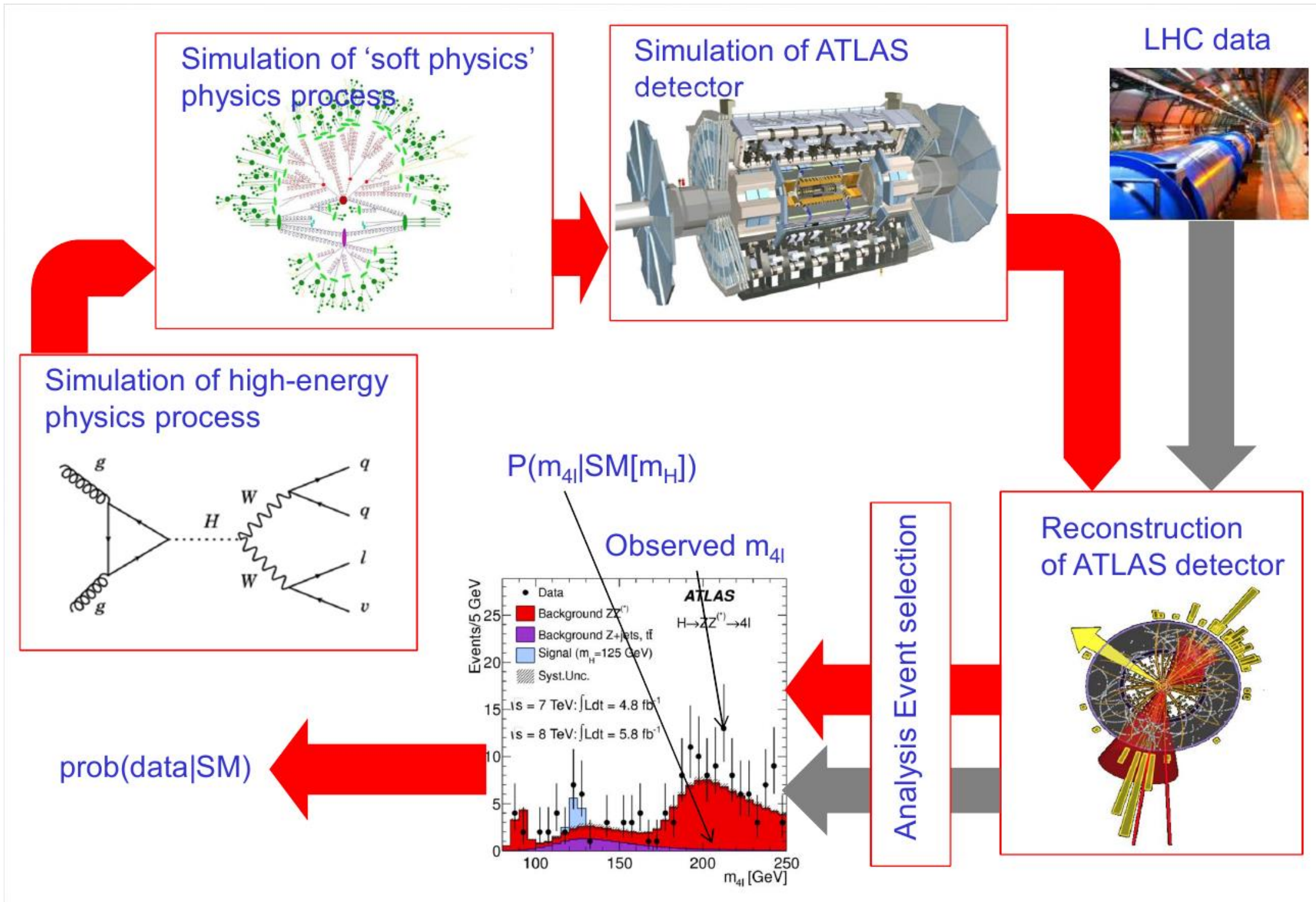
# Basic questions

- Physics questions we want to answer...
  - Is the new discovered particle a 'vanilla' Higgs boson?
  - What is its production cross section and couplings?
  - Is there any SUSY in ATLAS data?
    - If not, what models do not agree with data?
- Enormous efforts in many channels, millions of plots with signal/backgrounds expectations, with systematics and observed data
- How do you conclude on these questions?
- Statistical tests construct probabilistic statements/models on  $P(\text{theory}|\text{data})$  or  $P(\text{data}|\text{theory})$ 
  - Likelihood fits
  - Systematics/uncertainties
  - Hypothesis testing
  - Setting limits ...
- Result: decisions based on these tests



*As a layman I would now say, I think we have it*

# HEP workflow

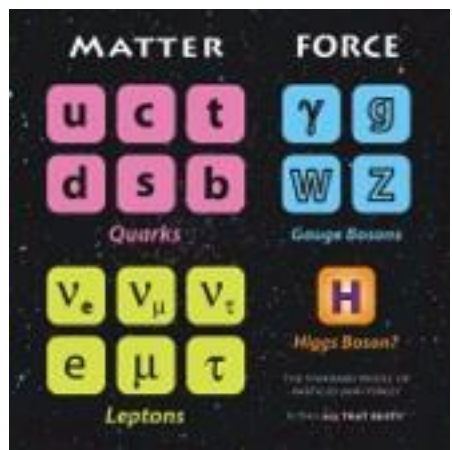


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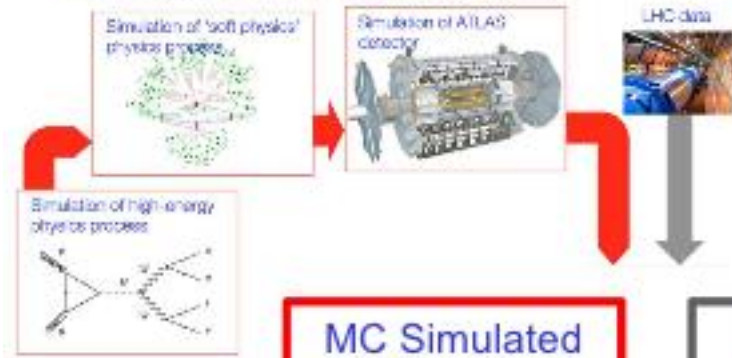
- If you paid attention in xAOD tutorial, this should be a piece of cake...



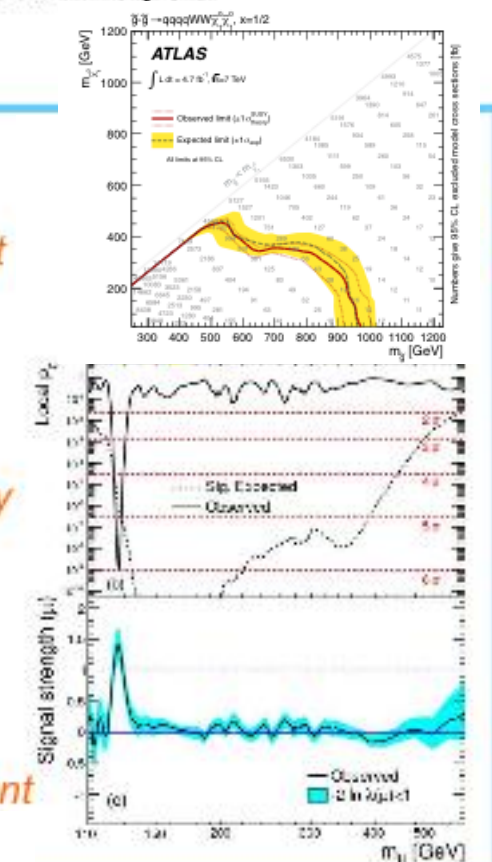
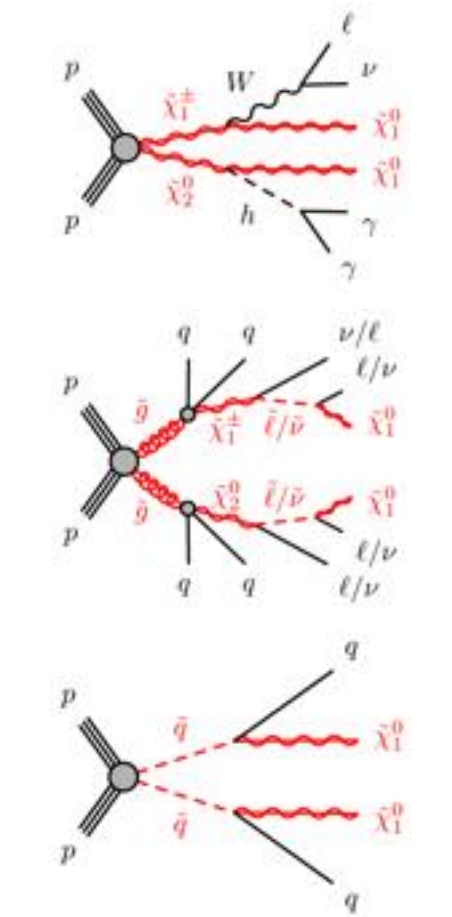
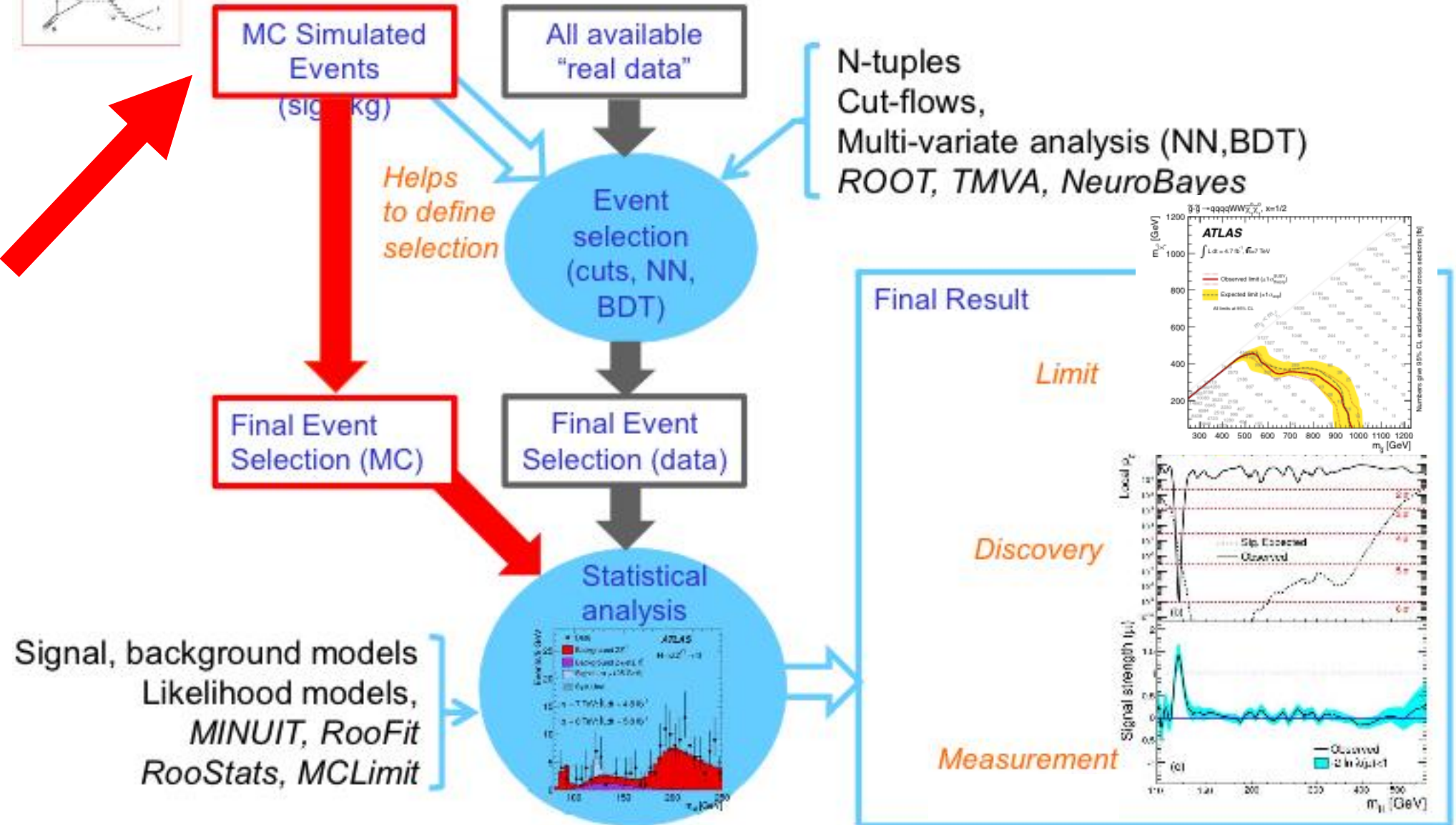
# HEP data analysis



An overview of HEP data analysis procedures



## HEP workflow: *analysis view*



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- HEP Data Analysis is (should be) for a large part the reduction of a physics theory(s) to a statistical model
- Statistical/probability model: Given a measurement  $\mathbf{x}$  (eg N events), what is the probability to observe each possible  $\mathbf{x}$ , under the hypothesis that the physics theory is true?

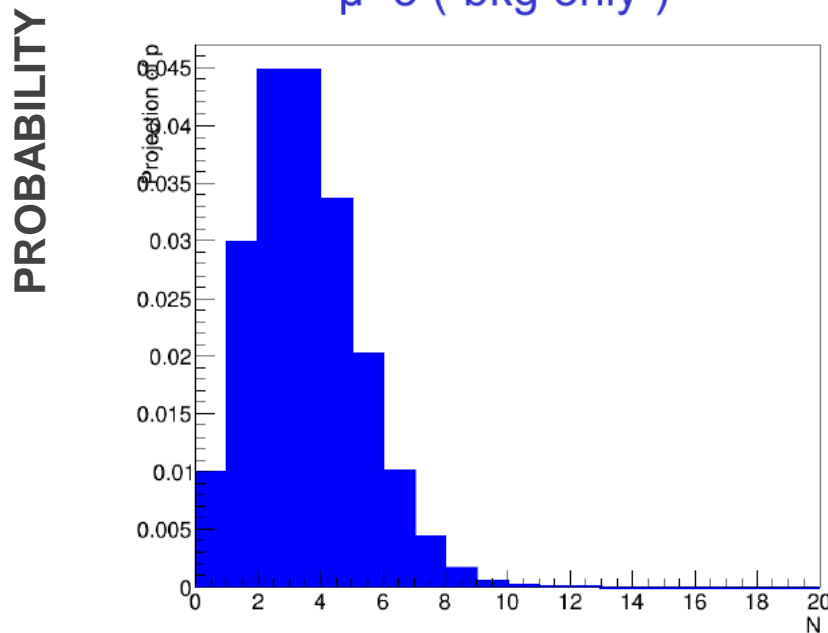
# Simple statistical example

- Central concept in statistics is the ‘probability model’ : assigns a probability to each possible experimental outcome

- Example: a HEP counting experiment

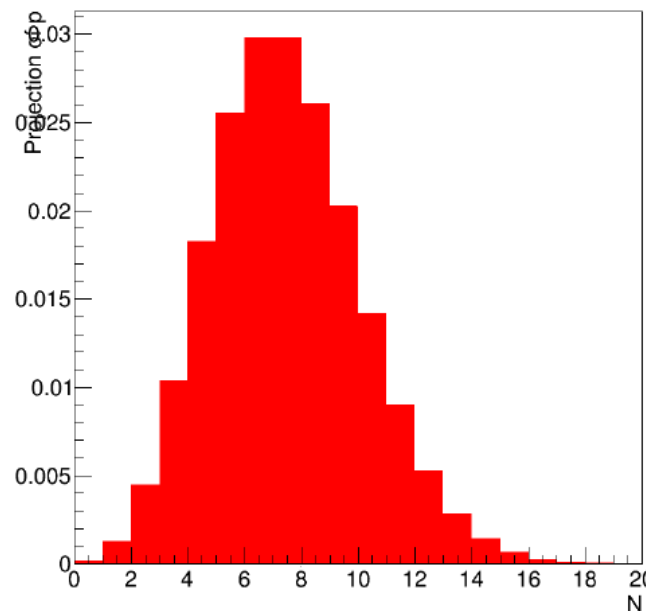
- Count number of events in your signal region (SR) in your data (specific lumi): Poisson distribution  $P(N | \mu) = \frac{\mu^N e^{-\mu}}{N!}$
- Given the *expected(MC)* event count, the probability model is fully specified

$\mu=3$  (“bkg only”)

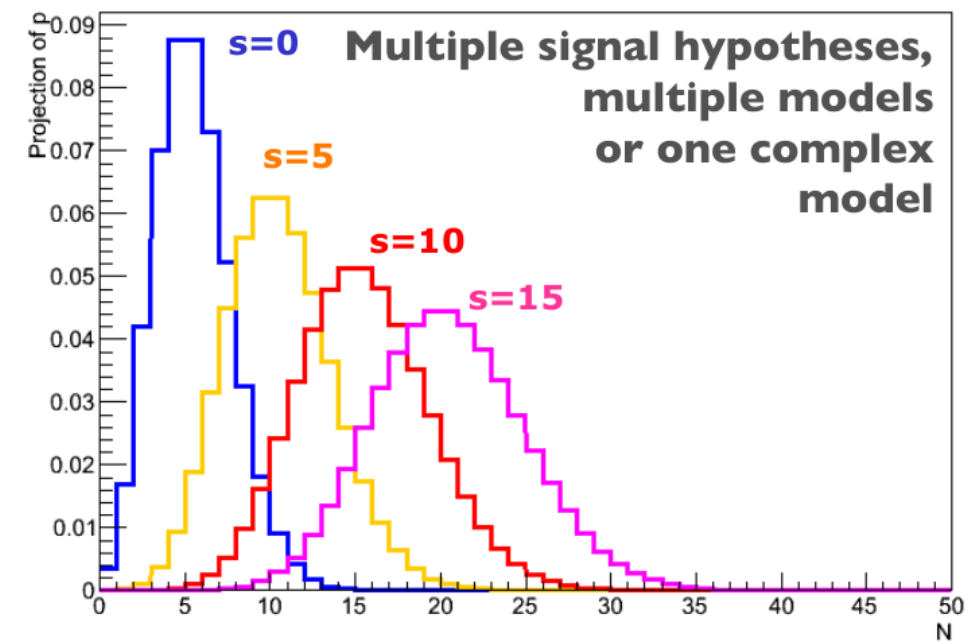


Poisson(N| b)

$\mu=7$  (“bkg+signal”)



Poisson(N| s + b)



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- Suppose we measure  $N = 7$  events (Nobs), then can calculate the probability
- $P(\text{Nobs}|\text{hypothesis})$  is called **LIKELIHOOD** -  $L(\text{Nobs}|b)$ ,  $L(\text{Nobs}|s+b)$ ,  $L(\text{observed data}|\text{theory})$

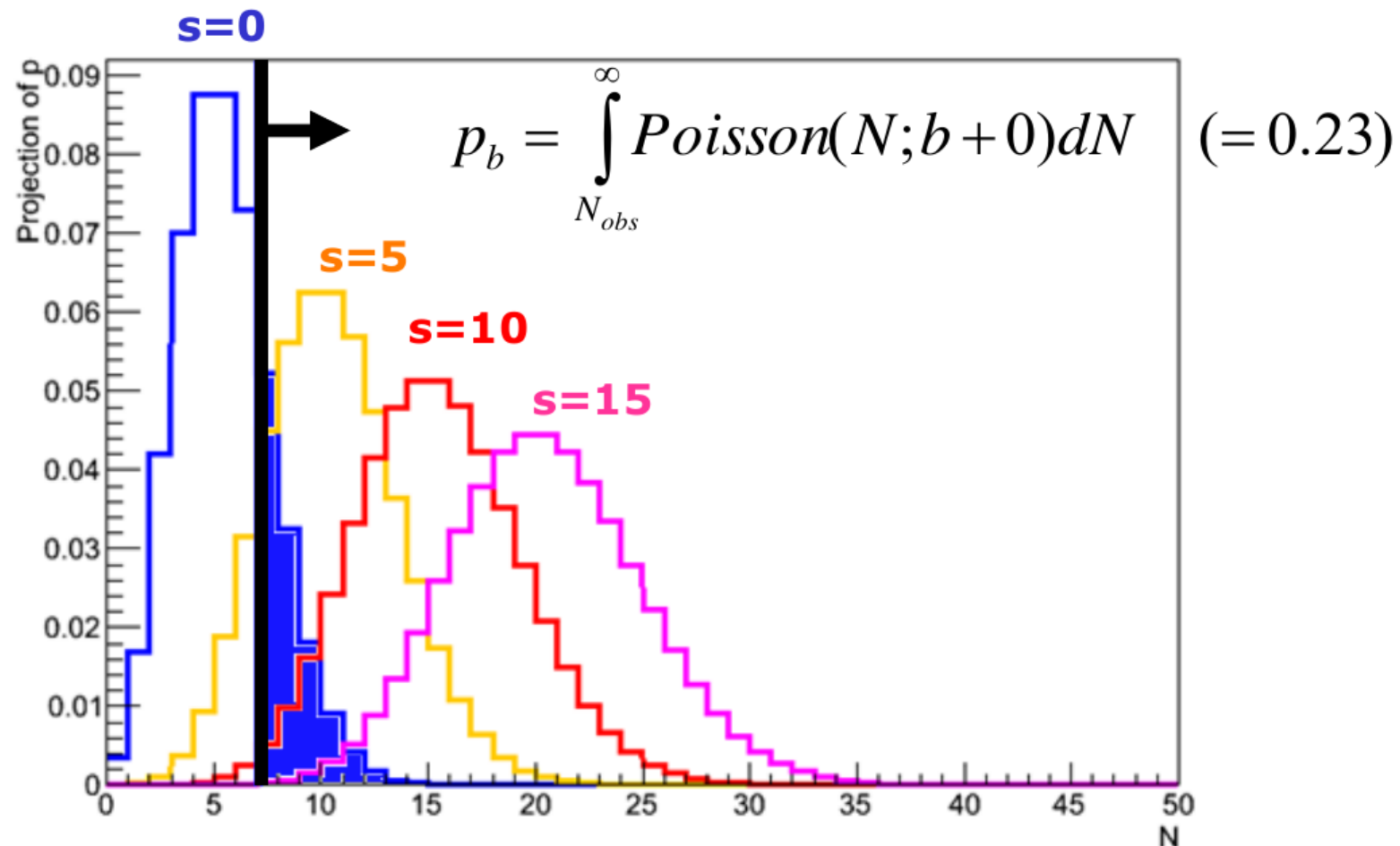
$p(\text{Nobs}|b) = 2.2\%$

$p(\text{Nobs}|s+b) = 14.9\%$

- Data is more likely under s+b hypothesis than bkg-only

# p-value

- **P-VALUE:** probability to obtain observed data, or more extreme, given the hypothesis in future repeated identical experiments
- For our example from previous page:
  - For the bkg-only hypothesis:  $p_b$  = Fraction of future measurements with  $N=N_{obs}$  (or larger) if  $s=0$



- Frequentist p-values (apologies to Bayesians) -- see links later

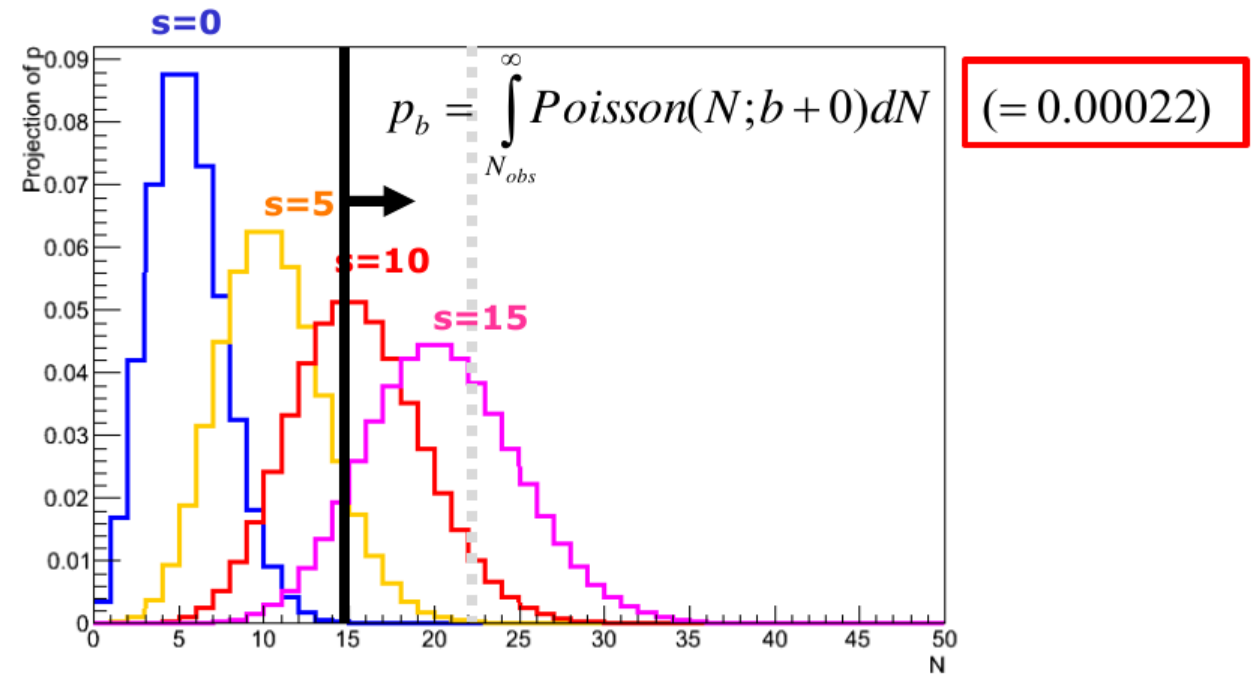


# Excess over background

- $p_b$  or p-values of background hypothesis is used to quantify ‘discovery’
- ‘discovery’ = excess of events over background expectation

• One more example:

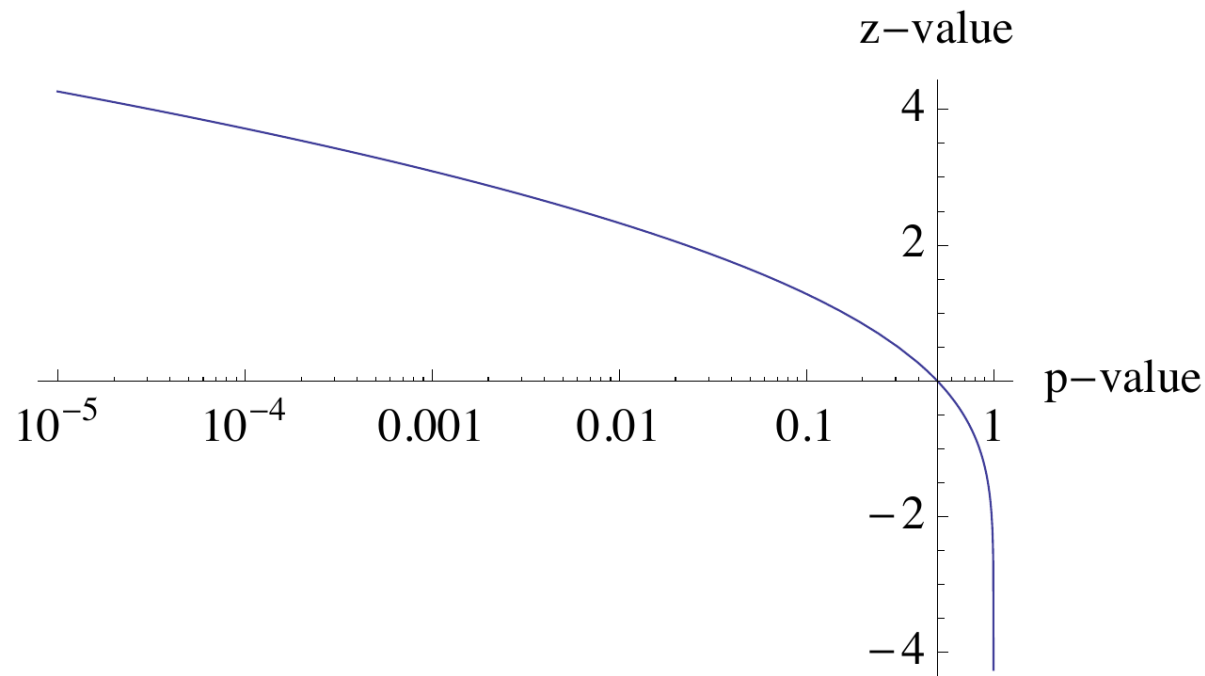
- Nobs=15 for same model, what is  $p_b$ ?



• Results customarily expressed as odds of a Gaussian fluctuation with equal p-value: **significance, Zn, z-value**

• Nobs = 15  $\rightarrow$  Zn =  $3.5\sigma$

• Nobs = 22  $\rightarrow$  **Zn =  $5\sigma$**   
or  $p_b < 2.87 \times 10^{-7}$



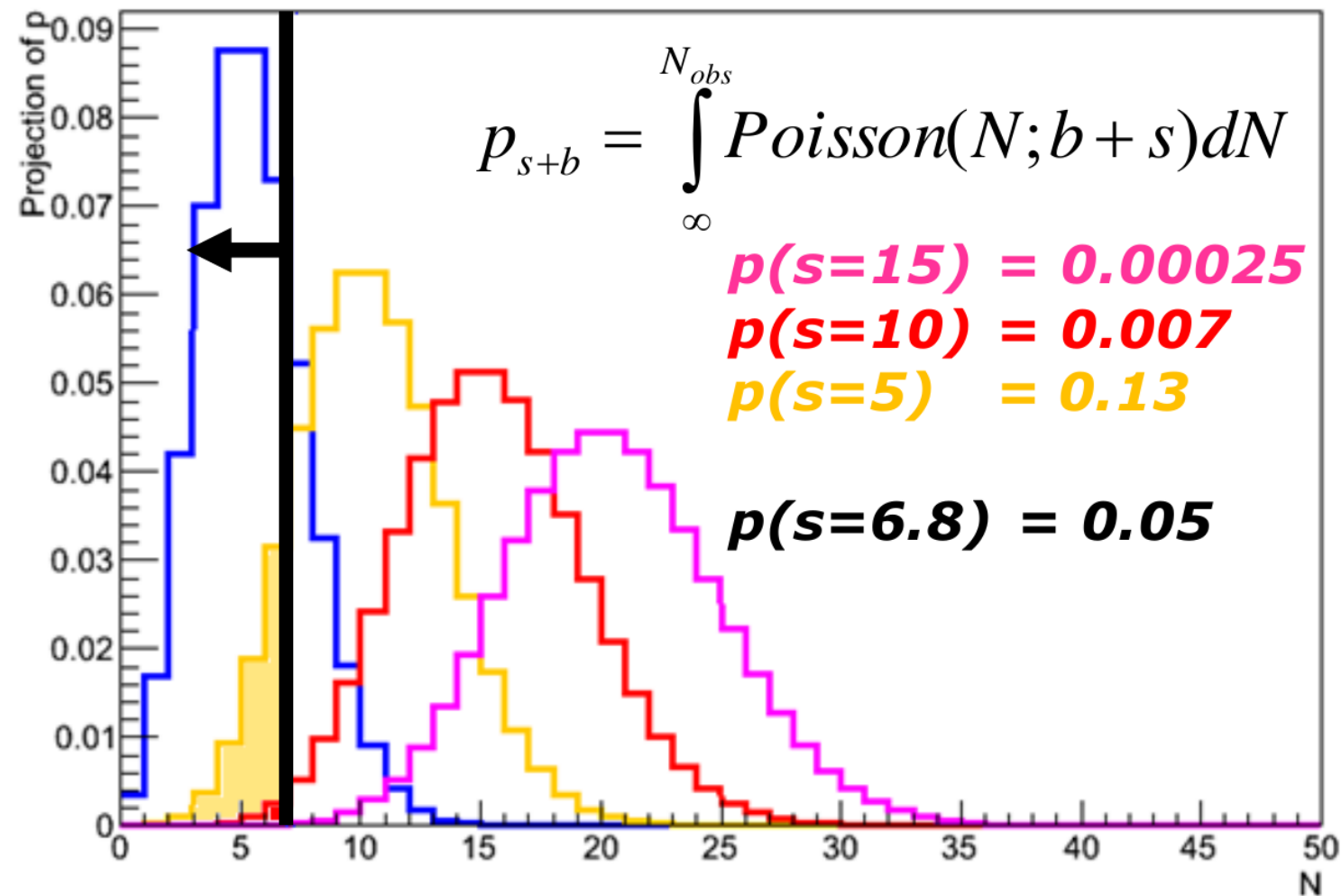
**z-value =**  
 $\text{sqrt}(2.) * \text{TMath}::\text{ErfInverse}(1. - 2. * \text{pvalue})$

$$p\text{-value} = \int_{z\text{-value}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx,$$

**Fig. 1.** Relationship between  $p$ -value and  $z$ -value.

# Upper limits

- Can also define p-value for s+b hypothesis  $p_{s+b}$ 
  - Note convention change: integration range in  $p_{s+b}$  is flipped



- Convention: express result as value (upper limit) of  $s$  for which  $p_{s+b} = 5\%$  or excluded at 95% confidence level (95% C.L.)
- Our example:
  - $s > 6.8$  is excluded at 95% C.L.

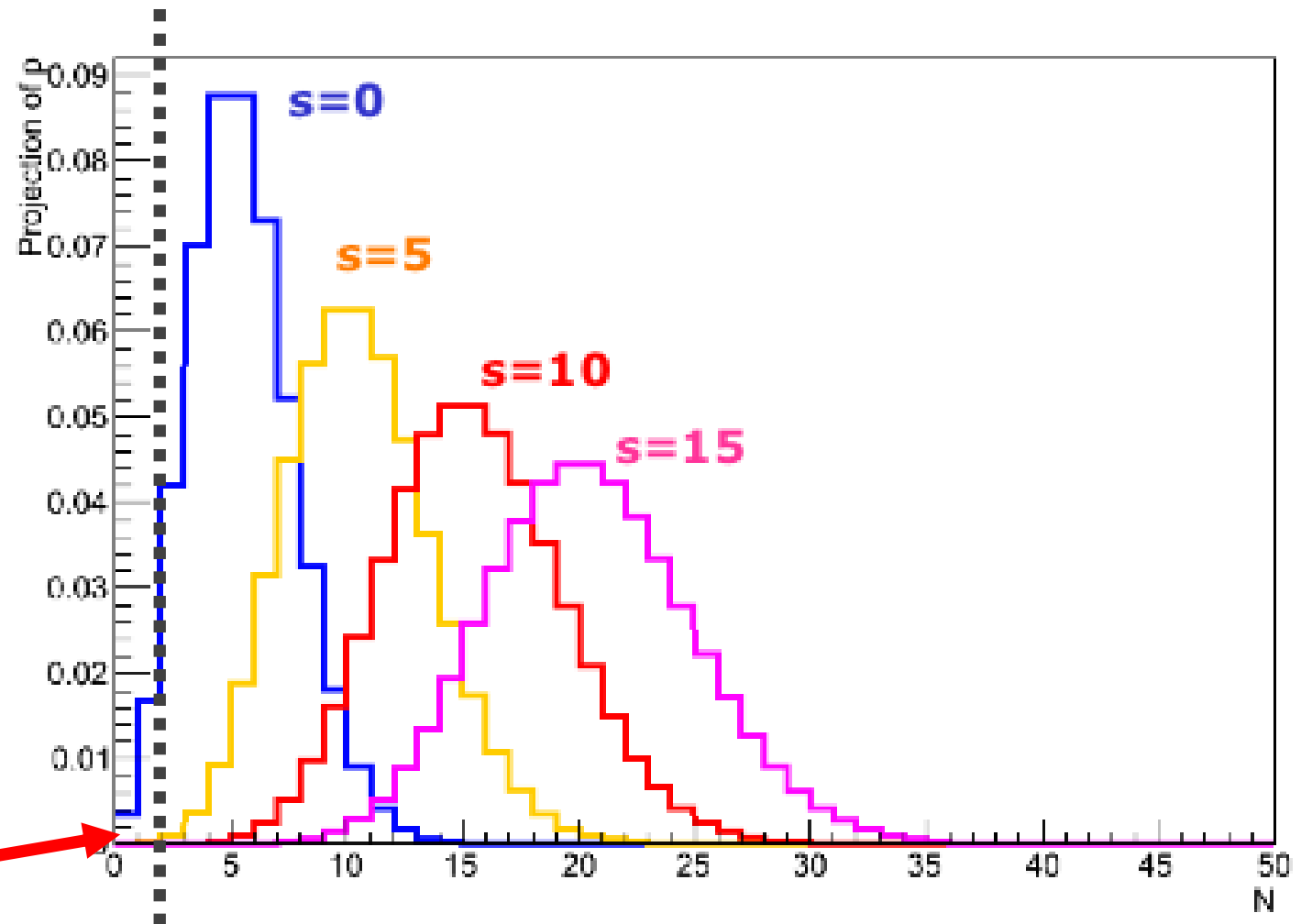
# Modified Upper limits : CLs

- Interpretation of  $p_{s+b}$  in terms of inference on signal only is problematic
  - Since  $p_{s+b}$  quantifies consistency with data of signal + background
  - Problem apparent when observed data has **downward fluctuation wrt background expectation**

- Example: Nobs = 2  $\rightarrow p_{s+b}(s=0) = 0.04$ 
  - $s \geq 0$  excluded at 95% C.L. ???

- Modified approach to protect against such inference on signal (LHC convention):
  - Instead of requiring  $p_{s+b} = 5\%$ ,  
require

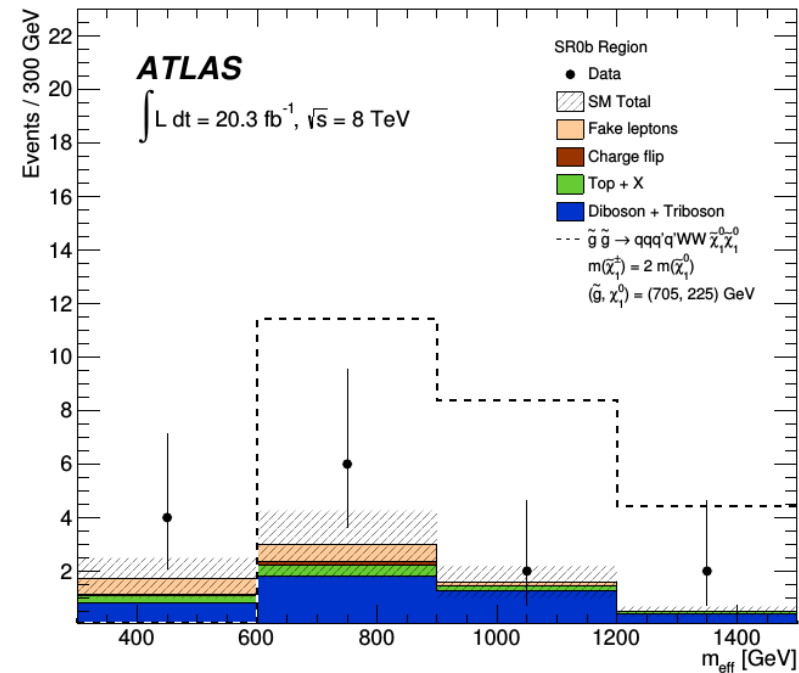
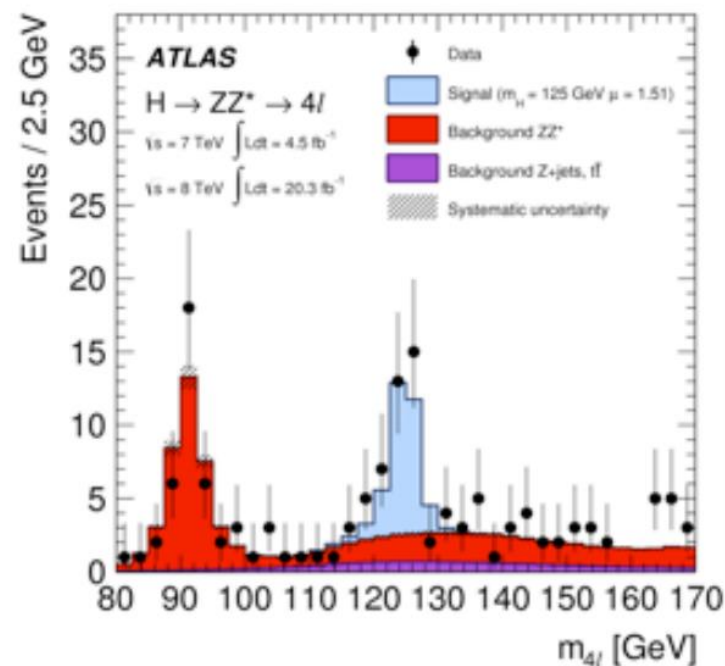
$$CL_s \equiv \frac{p_{s+b}}{1 - p_b} = 5\%$$



- Example: Nobs = 2  $\rightarrow s > 3.4$  excluded at 95% CLs
- For large Nobs effect on limit is small as  $p_b \rightarrow 0$
- <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/pub/AtlasProtected/StatisticsTools/CLsInfo.pdf>

# More complex examples

- Typical analysis is not a simple counting experiment
  - Many intrinsic uncertainties on signal and bkg
  - Result is a distribution, not a single number
    - SUSY searches: discovery is cut&count, but many exclusion limits are shape-fits/multi-bin



- Any result can be converted into a single number by constructing a **test statistic**
  - A test statistic compresses all signal-to-background discrimination power into one number
  - Most powerful discriminators are **Likelihood Ratios** (*Neyman-Pearson lemma*)
  - $q_\mu$  is a common test statistic (LHC convention)

$$q_\mu = -2 \ln \frac{L(\text{data} | \mu)}{L(\text{data} | \hat{\mu})}$$



# Likelihood ratio test statistic

- **Signal strength  $\mu$**  = signal rate / nominal signal rate (also know as  $\mu_{\text{SIG}}$ )
  - Bkg-only hypothesis:  $\mu = 0$
  - Bkg + signal hypo:  $\mu = 1$
  - Bkg + 2 X signal hypo:  $\mu = 2$
- Likelihood with nominal signal strength ( $\mu = 1$ )

**'likelihood assuming nominal signal strength'**

$$q_1 = -2 \ln \frac{L(\text{data} | \mu = 1)}{L(\text{data} | \hat{\mu})}$$

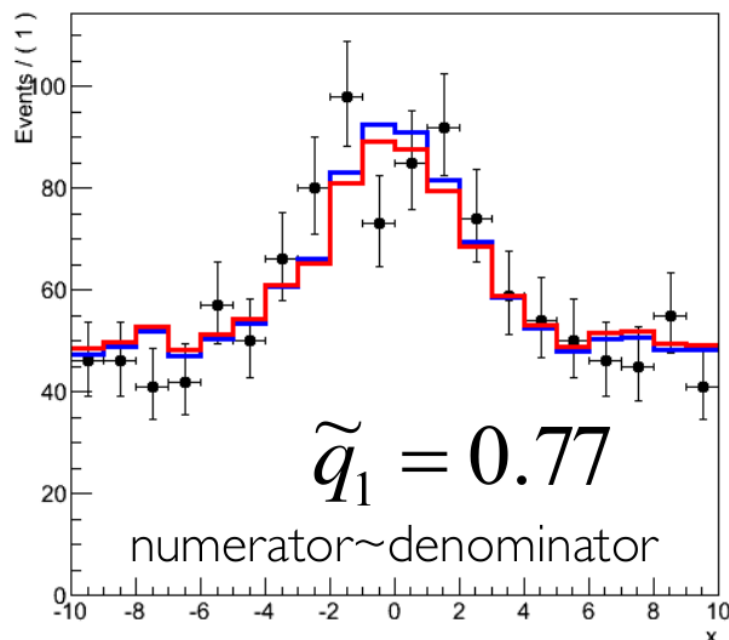
$\hat{\mu}$  is best fit value of  $\mu$

**'likelihood of best fit'**

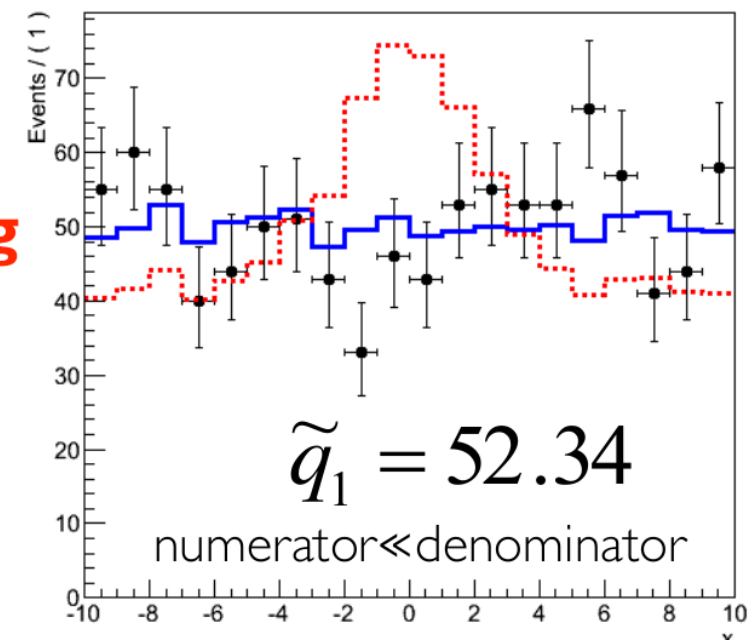
- **Example:** simple s + b model with no uncertainties

*On signal-like data  $q_1$  is **small***

*On background-like data  $q_1$  is **large***



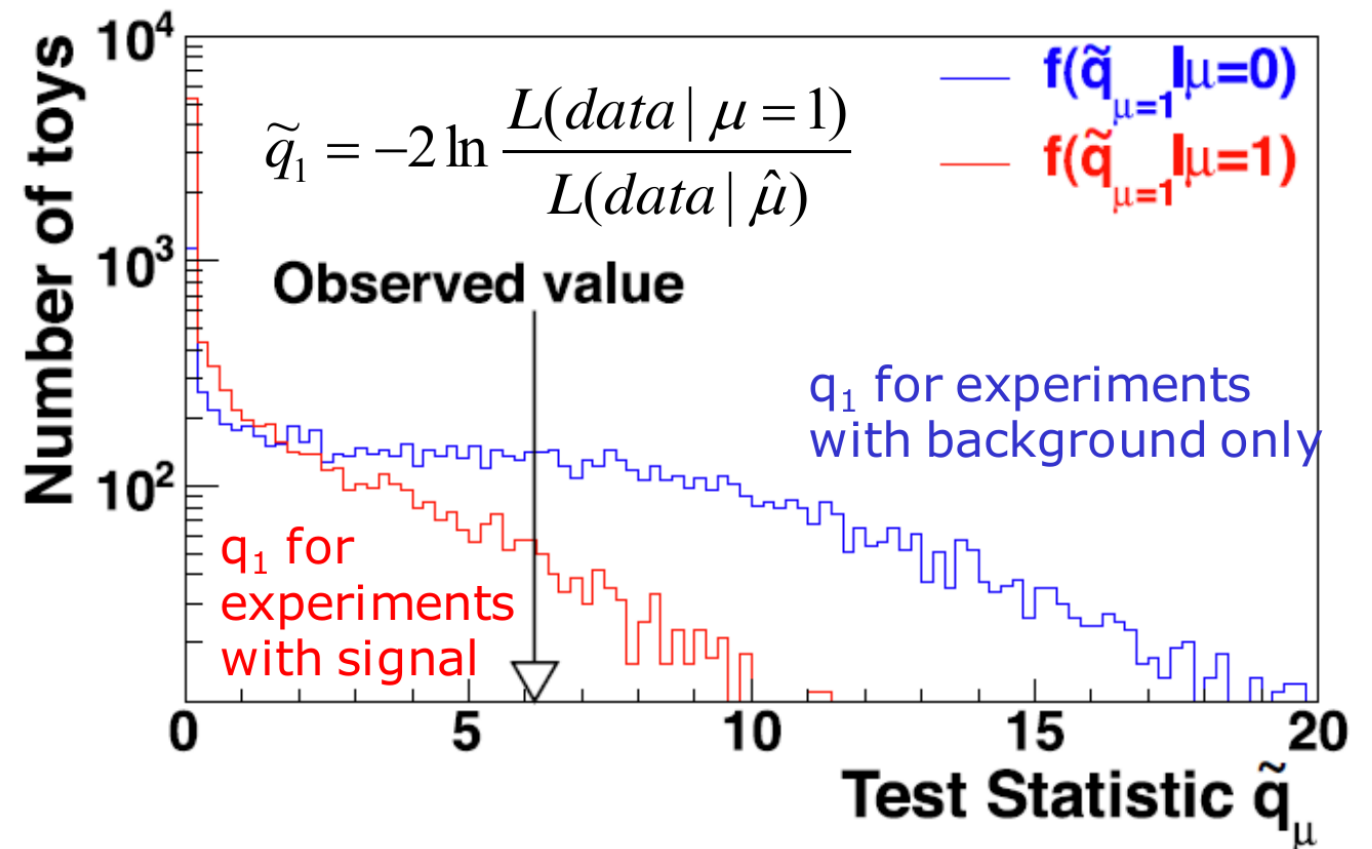
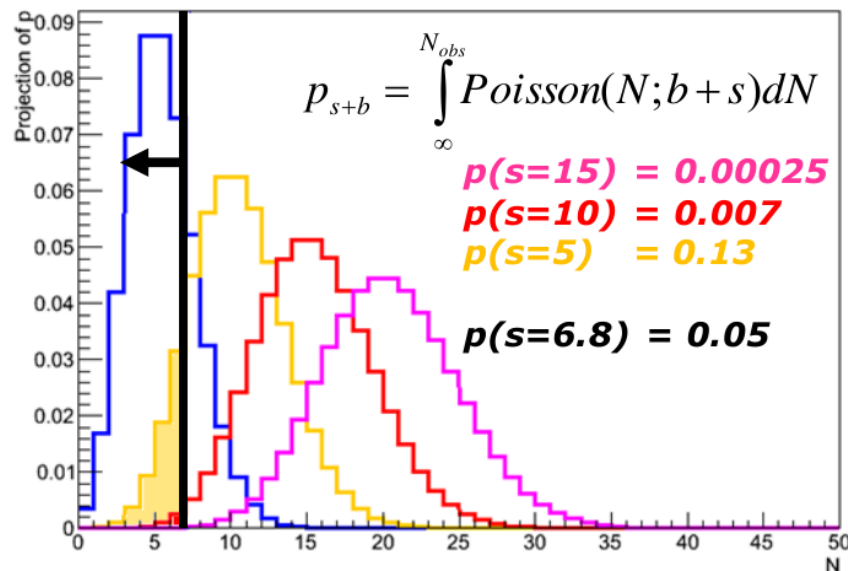
**signal ( $\mu=1$ ) + bkg  
best fit**



# Distribution of test statistic

- Value of  $q_1$  on data is now the *measurement*
- Distribution of  $q_1$  is **not** calculable → But can be obtained from pseudo-experiments (toys)
  - Generate a large number of pseudo-experiments with a given value of  $\mu$ , calculate  $q_1$  for each, plot distribution

Note analogy to Poisson counting example



- From  $q_{obs}$  and these test statistic distributions,  $f(q_{\mu})$ , can then set limits or calculate discovery significance similar to what was shown for Poisson example
- Typically CPU-intensive to run many toy-experiments → approximate with **asymptotic formulae**, aka **asimov data** (only works in cases when  $N_{obs} \geq 10$ , see links for details)

# Systematic uncertainties

- Typically HEP models will have uncertainties: experimental (JES, trigger eff.) or theoretical (Q,  $\sigma$ )

$$L(data | \mu) \rightarrow L(data | \mu, \vec{\theta}) \quad L(data | \mu, \theta) = \text{Poisson}(N_i | \mu \cdot s_i(\theta) + b_i(\theta)) \cdot p(\vec{\theta}, \theta)$$

- Models w/ uncertainties, described by additional parameters  $\theta$  that describe effect of uncert.
- Likelihood includes *auxiliary measurement* terms that constrain the nuisance parameters  $\theta$ 
  - Auxiliary measurement given by performance group (jet perf.) or theory variations (renorm. scale up/down)

- Likewise uncertainties quantified by nuisance parameters are incorporated into test statistic using

## Profile Likelihood Ratio

$$q_\mu = -2 \ln \frac{L(data | \mu)}{L(data | \hat{\mu})} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \tilde{q}_\mu = -2 \ln \frac{L(data | \mu, \hat{\theta}_\mu)}{L(data | \hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta})}$$

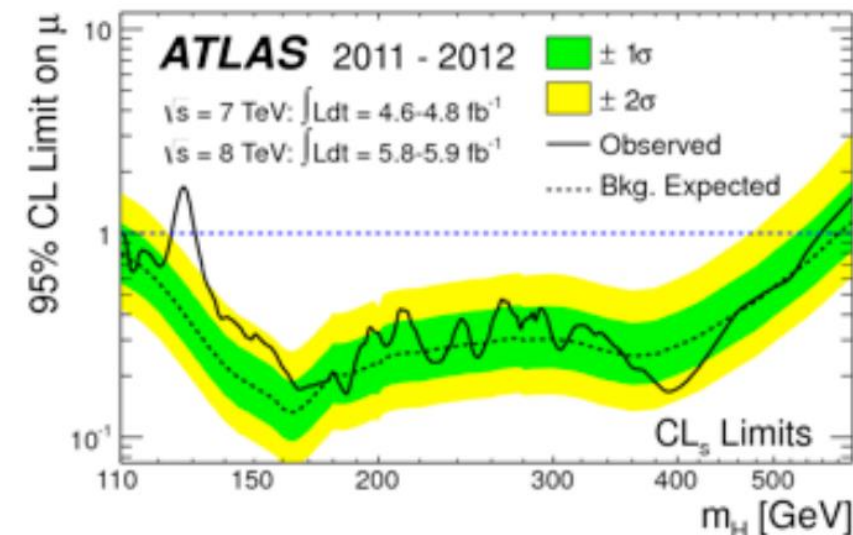
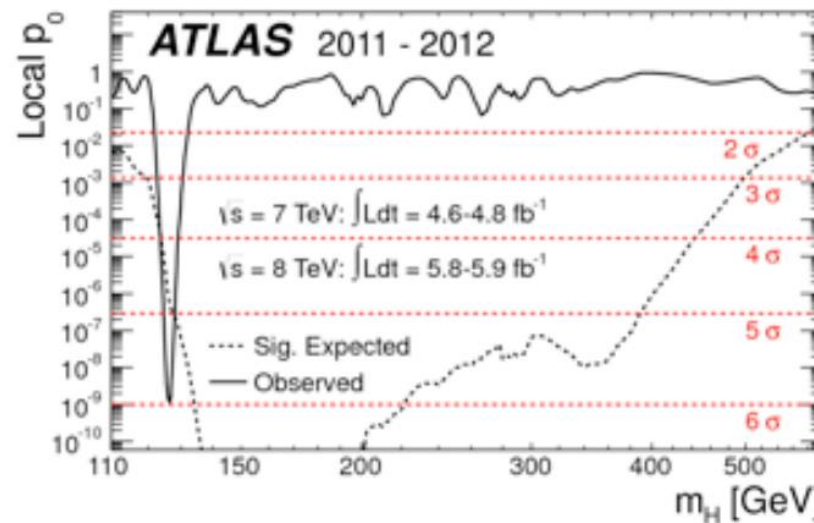
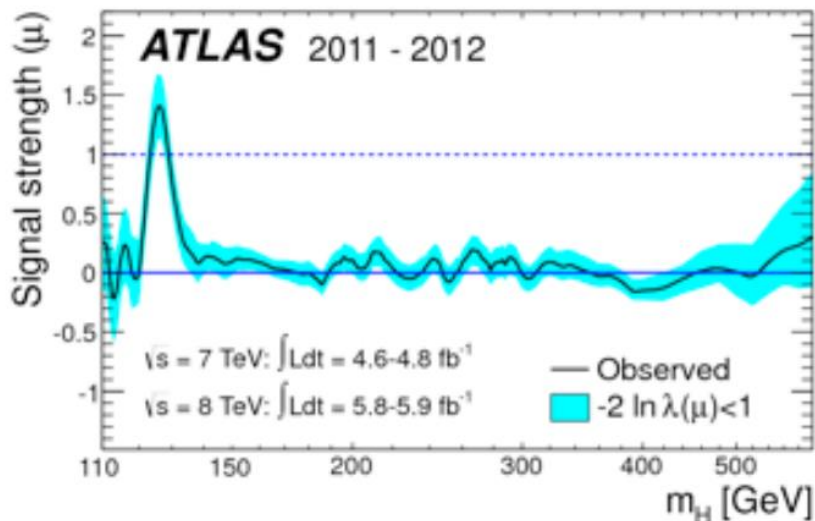
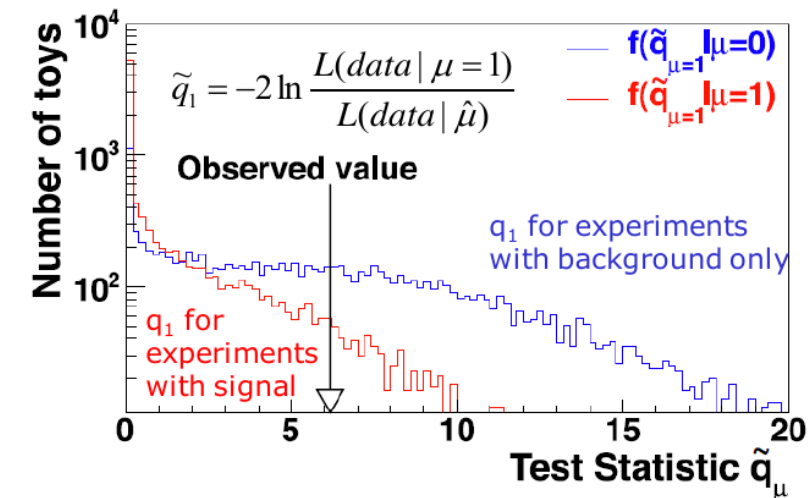
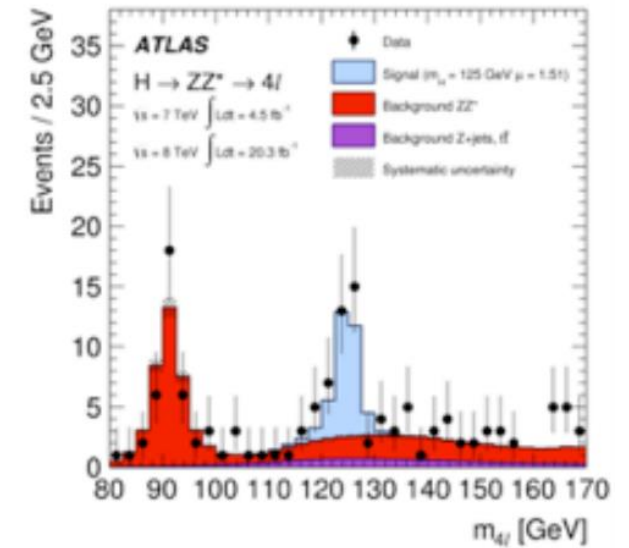
'likelihood of best fit for a given fixed value of  $\mu$ '  
'likelihood of best fit'

(with a constraint  $0 \leq \hat{\mu} \leq \mu$ )

# Overview for a search

- Take Higgs search as example, and put it all together
- Result from data is a distribution (eg  $m(4l)$ )
- Model signal and background by PDF (probability density function) for a given Higgs mass hypothesis
- Construct likelihood(s) by joining data and model(s)
- Construct test statistic  $q_\mu$  from likelihoods
- Obtain expected distributions of  $q_\mu$
- Determine discovery  $p_0$  and signal exclusion limit
- Repeat for each assumed  $m_H$

$$\tilde{q}_\mu(m_H) = -2 \ln \frac{L(\text{data} | \mu, m_H, \hat{\theta}_\mu)}{L(\text{data} | \hat{\mu}, m_H, \hat{\theta})}$$





# Links

- Statistics lectures (CERN school, 2014, W. Verkerke):
  - Part-1: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/287744/contribution/7/material/slides/0.pdf>
  - Part-2: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/287744/contribution/11/material/slides/1.pdf>
  - Part-3: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/287744/contribution/14/material/slides/0.pdf>
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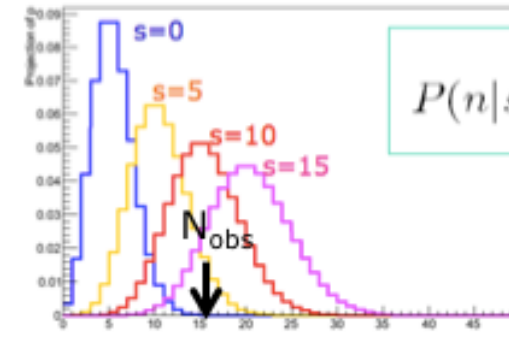
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$$P(n|s+b) = \frac{(s+b)^n}{n!} e^{-(s+b)}$$

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**Definition: the Likelihood is  $P(\text{observed data}|\text{theory})$**

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Frequentist statistics



Bayesian statistics



Maximum Likelihood



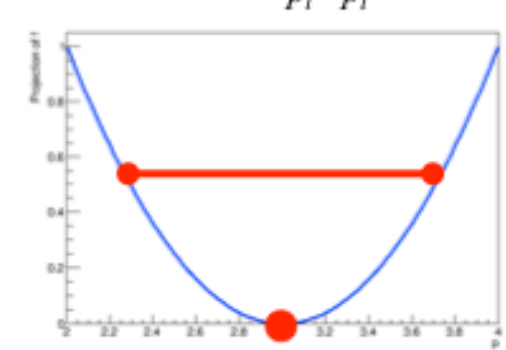
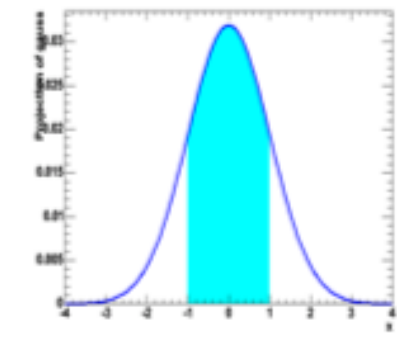
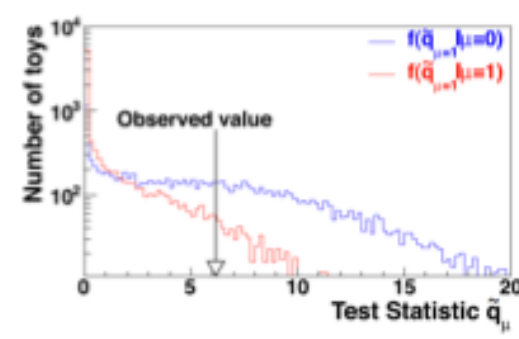
$$\lambda_{\mu}(\vec{N}_{obs}) = \frac{L(\vec{N} | \mu)}{L(\vec{N} | \hat{\mu})}$$



$$P(\mu) \propto L(x | \mu) \cdot \pi(\mu)$$



$$\left. \frac{d \ln L(\vec{p})}{d \vec{p}} \right|_{p_i = \hat{p}_i} = 0$$



**Confidence interval or p-value**



**Posterior on  $s$  or Bayes factor**



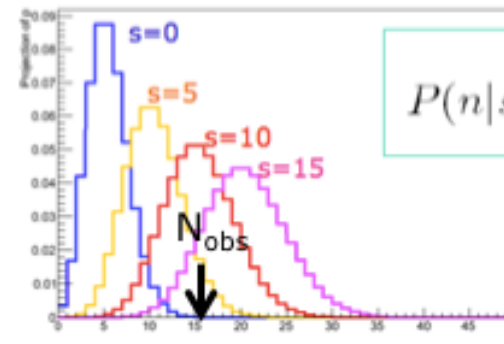
**$s = x \pm y$**

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# Modular software design

- **RooFit:** tool/language for building probability models: datasets, likelihoods, minimization, toy data, visualization
- **HistFactory:** tool to construct binned template models of arbitrary complexity using classes of physics concepts: channel/region, sample, uncertainties  
Builds a RooFit stat. model from HistFactory physics model
- **RooWorkspace:** persistent RooFit object to transport a likelihood, containing model/data. Completely factorizes process of building and using likelihood functions.
- **RooStats:** tool/suite to calculate intervals and perform hypothesis tests using a variety of statistical techniques; easy to use with RooWorkspace

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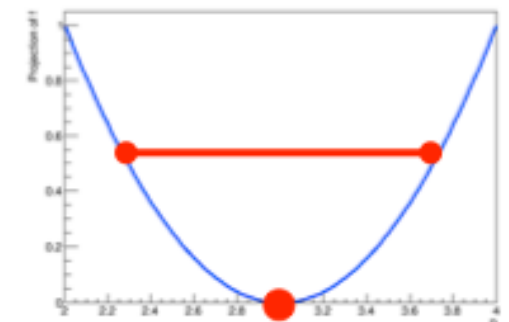
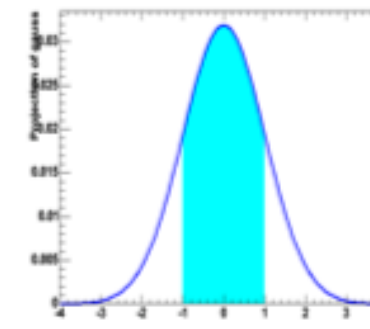
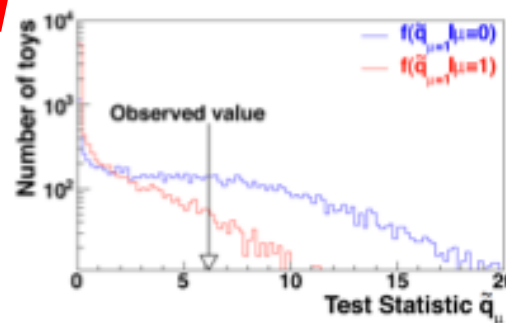
Bayesian statistics

Maximum Likelihood

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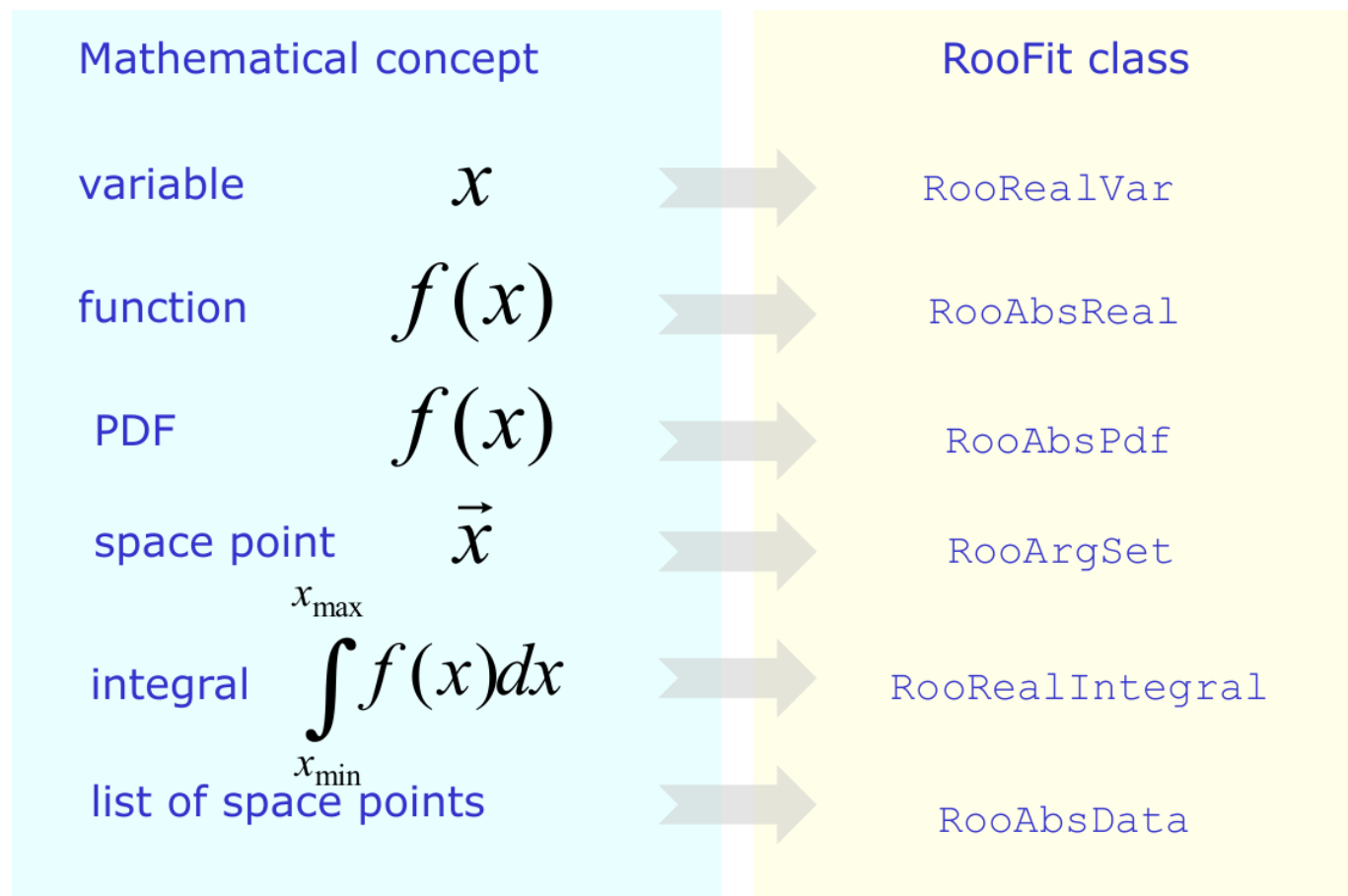
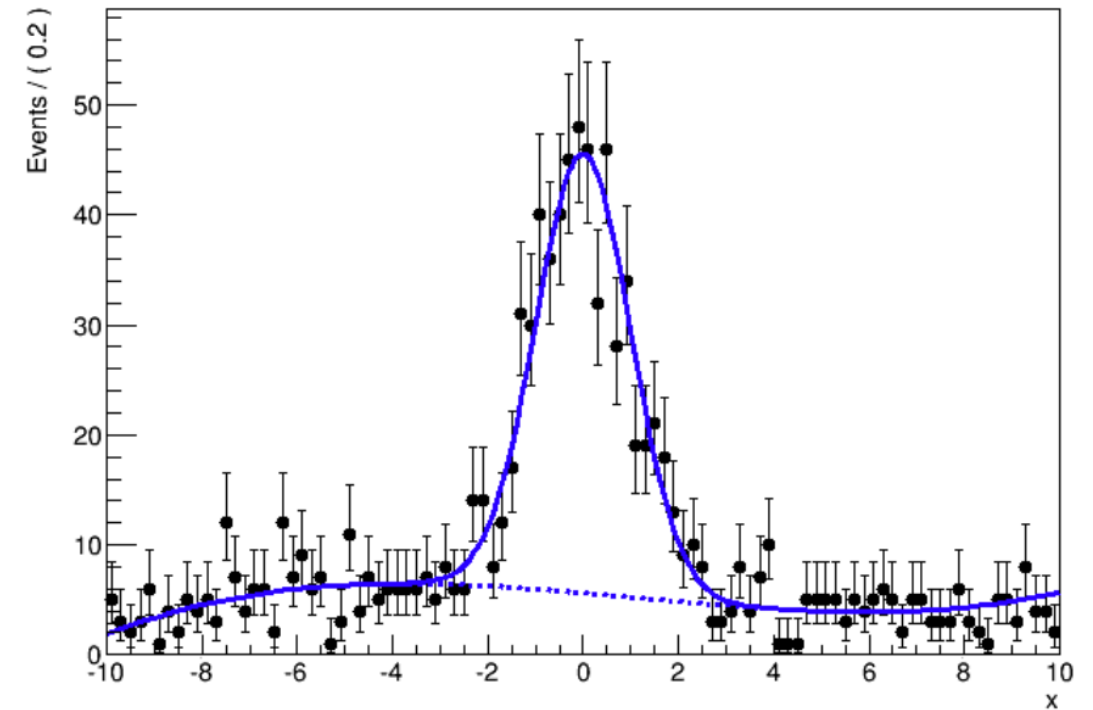
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# Roofit

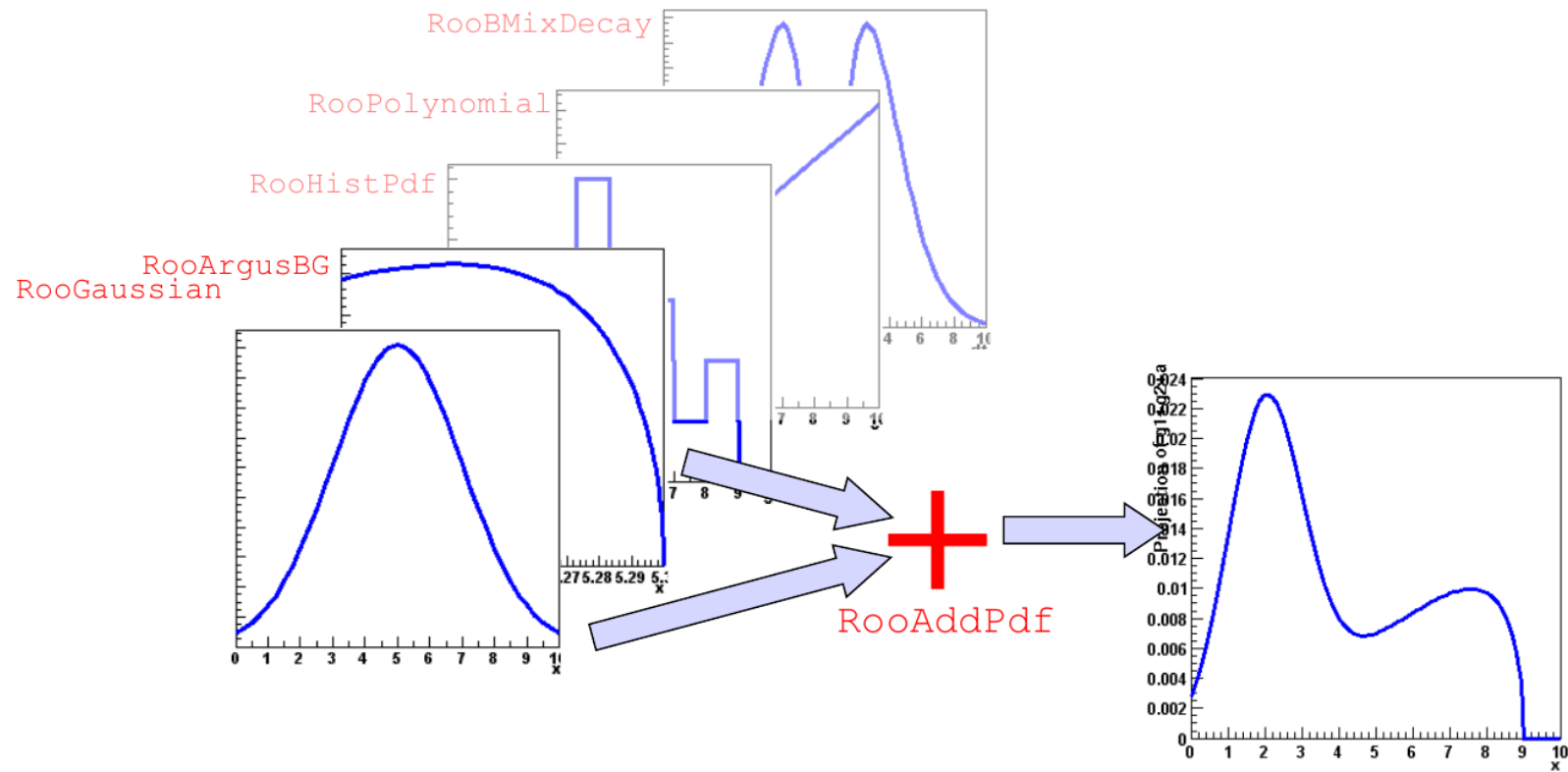
- Focus: coding a probability density function PDF : how do you formulate a PDF in ROOT?
- Simple example: gauss (signal) + polynomial (bkg)
- Quickly becomes complicated: multidimensional, unbinned fits, non-trivial functions, non-analytic functions
- Core design philosophy: mathematical objects represented as C++ objects



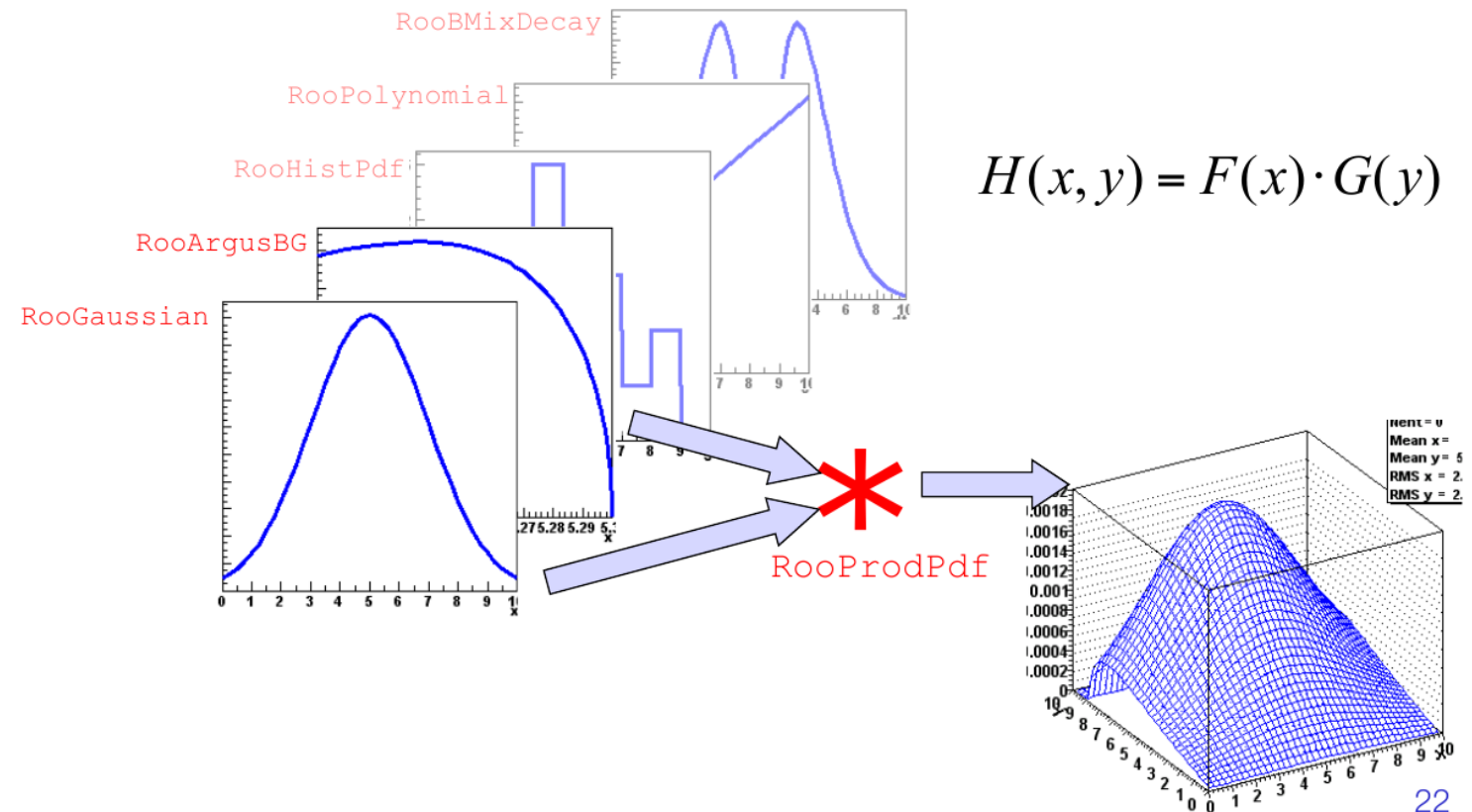
# RooFit - model building

- Easy to use standard components to build more complex/realistic models

- Addition

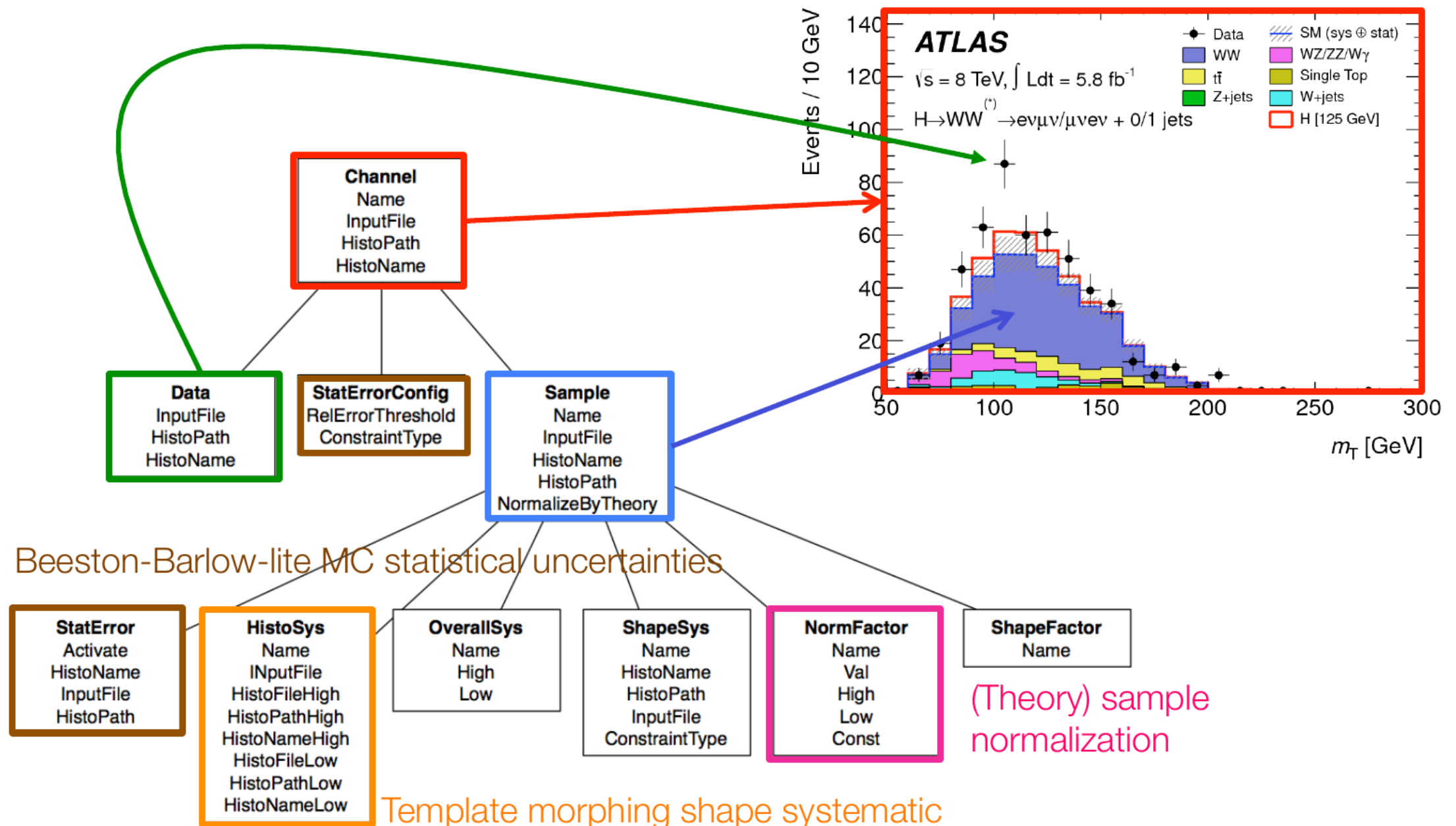


- Product (multi-dimensional)



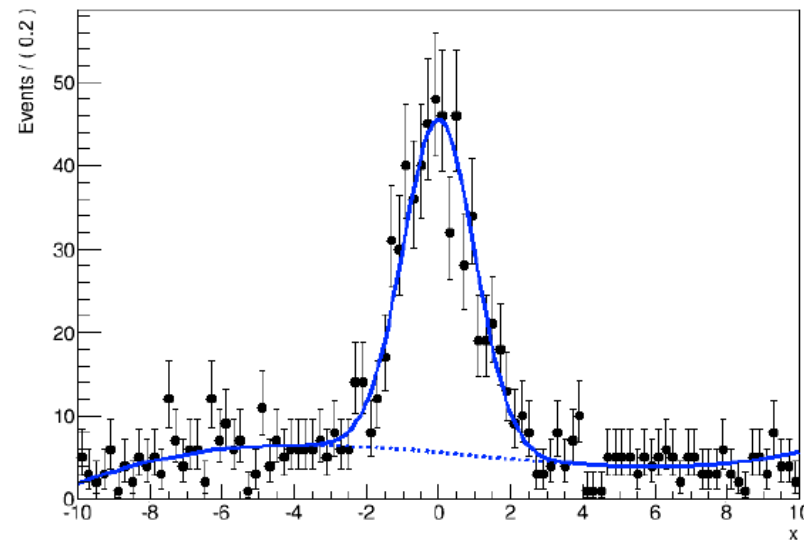
# HistFactory

- Structured building of complex models based on binned templates (histograms)
- Classes of physics concepts:
  - Channel = region of phase space
    - One or more channels are combined to form a measurement
  - Sample = physics process: either data-driven or described by Monte Carlo (MC) simulation
  - Systematics = intrinsic uncertainty on your model



# Systematics : nuisance parameters

- Empirical modeling of your model is easy to do, but expect some hard questions
  - Gaussian for signal + polynomial for background



$$L(x | f, m, \sigma, a_0, a_1, a_2) = fG(x, m, \sigma) + (1 - f)Poly(x, a_0, a_1, a_2)$$

- Is your model correct?
  - Is the true signal distribution captured by a Gaussian?
- Is your model flexible enough?
  - Why use 4th order polynomial and not 6th order?
- How do your model parameters connect to known detector/theory uncertainties for your distribution?
  - What conceptual uncertainty does what parameter represent? And are all conceptual uncertainties represented?

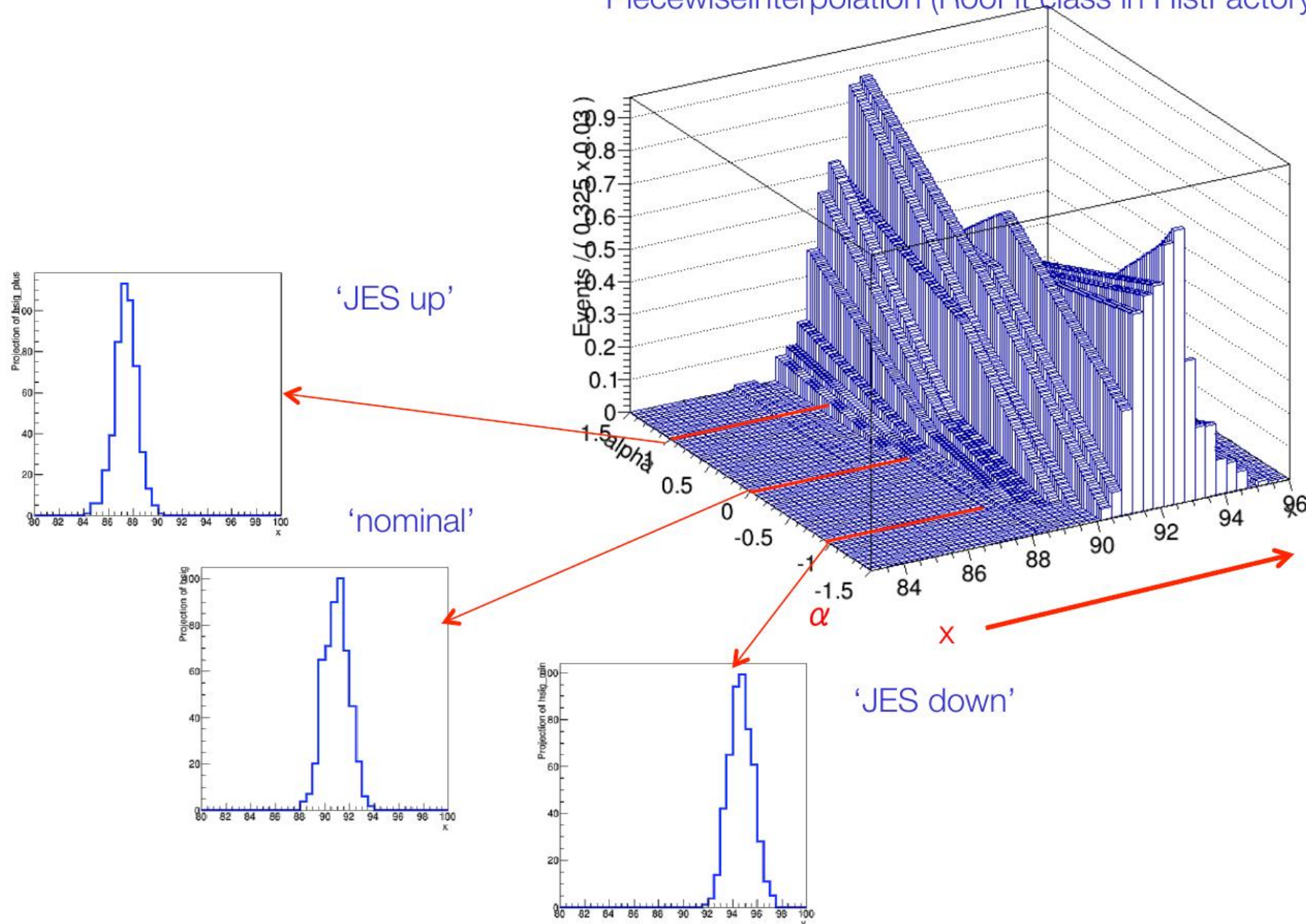


# Systematics modeling - interpolation

- A common solution is to introduce degrees of freedom in model that describe specific systematic/uncertainty!
- The  $+1/-1 \sigma$  variations sampled from MC simulation are compared to nominal MC response
  - (corrected/checked/double-checked to data by Perf. Groups)
- Interpolation, performed between  **$+1\sigma \leftrightarrow \text{nominal} \leftrightarrow -1\sigma$**  taken into the model as nuisance parameter

$$L(\text{data} | \mu, \theta) = \text{Poisson}(N_i | \mu \cdot s_i(\theta) + b_i(\theta)) \cdot p(\tilde{\theta}, \theta)$$

PiecewiseInterpolation (RooFit class in HistFactory)



# RooWorkspace

- Complete description of likelihood persistable in a ROOT file
- Factorizes building and using likelihood functions
  - In setup, team member, place and time

- Construct RooFit model `sum` and persist to ROOT file

```
RooWorkspace w("w") ;  
w.import(sum) ;  
w.writeToFile("model.root") ;
```

- Pass file to your colleague

model.root

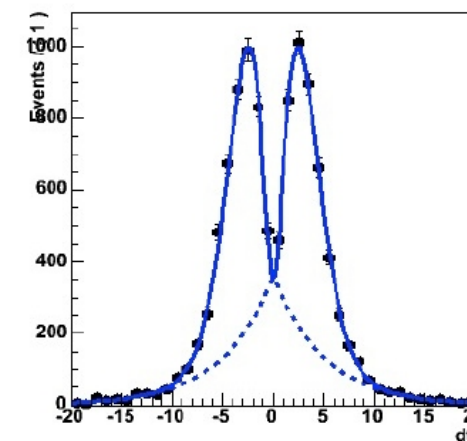


- Colleague resurrects likelihood, runs fit and produces plots

```
// Resurrect model and data  
TFile f("model.root") ;  
RooWorkspace* w = f.Get("w") ;  
RooAbsPdf* model = w->pdf("sum") ;  
RooAbsData* data = w->data("xxx") ;
```

```
// Use model and data  
model->fitTo(*data) ;
```

```
RooPlot* frame =  
    w->var("dt")->frame() ;  
data->plotOn(frame) ;  
model->plotOn(frame) ;
```





# Overview

- **Step-0:** define signal/control/validation regions
  - Input TTrees (derived from xAOD), histograms, numbers
- **Step-1:** Construct PDF and the likelihood function  
**RooFit or HistFactory + RooFit**
  - Result from data is a distribution
  - Model signal and background by PDF (prob. density func.)
  - Construct likelihood(s) by joining data and model(s)
- ↓
- **RooWorkspace**
- ↓
- **Step-2:** Statistical tests on parameter of interest  $\mu$   
**RooStats**
  - Construct test statistic  $q_\mu$  from likelihoods
  - Obtain expected distributions of  $q_\mu$  for various  $\mu$  values
  - Determine discovery  $p_0$  and signal exclusion limit
- **Step-3:** Repeat for each model (assumed value  $m_H$ )



## HistFitter

- adds steps-0 and 3
- allows full analysis chain from simple configuration file



# Links

- RooFit overview (2004): [http://www.nikhef.nl/~verkerke/talks/chep03/chep2003\\_v4.pdf](http://www.nikhef.nl/~verkerke/talks/chep03/chep2003_v4.pdf)
- ATLAS Statistics Forum page on Stat. Tools:  
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/viewauth/AtlasProtected/StatisticsTools>
- RooFit/RooStats at ACAT 2014:  
<https://indico.cern.ch/event/258092/session/0/contribution/140/material/slides/1.pdf>
- Higgs Combination procedure/explanation of CLs observed/expected and error bands:  
<http://cds.cern.ch/record/1375842>
- HistFactory documentation:  
<https://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/1456844/>  
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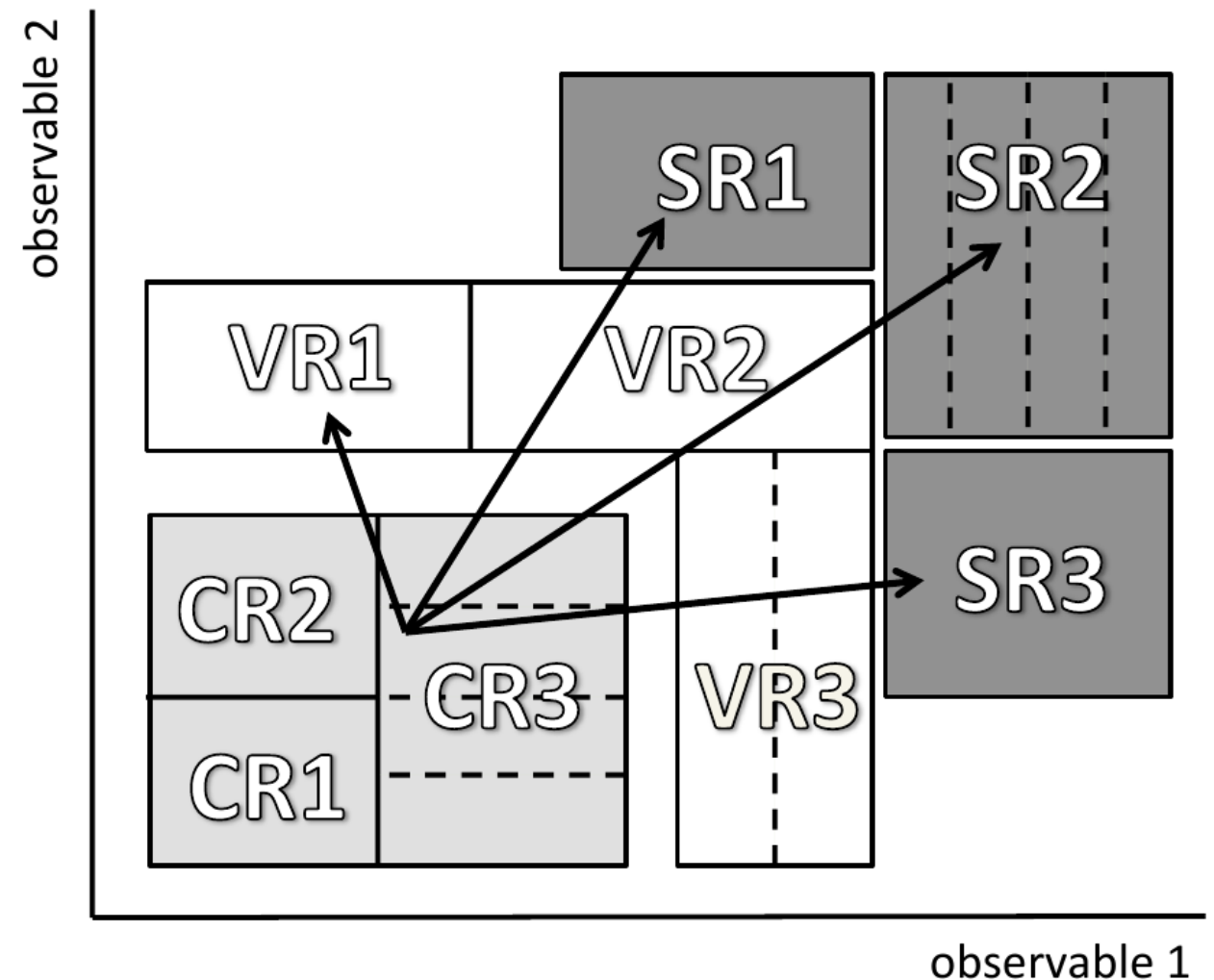
# HistFitter introduction

# Introduction

- **HistFitter** is a statistical tool/framework used in (almost) all SUSY WG analyses since 2012 for fitting, interpretation and presentation of fit results
  - Developed in SUSY strong production 1-lepton group, quickly adopted as recommended tool
  - Small core team: Max Baak, Geert-Jan Besjes, David Cote, Alex Koutsman, Jeanette Lorenz and Dan Short
  - Also used (more and more) in Higgs, Exotics and Top WGs
- **HistFitter** is:
  - built on top of RooFit/HistFactory and RooStats
  - consists of Python part for configuration and C++ part for CPU-intensive calculations
- Why HistFitter?
- **HistFitter** extends RooFit/HistFactory and RooStats in four key areas:
  - Programmable framework: performing complete analysis (steps 0-4) from a simple configuration file
  - Analysis strategy: common physics analysis strategy concepts, such as control/signal/validation regions, woven into the fabric of HistFitter design
  - Bookkeeping: can keep track of numerous data models, from histogram production until final statistical tests → handy when working with large collections of signal hypotheses (*signal grids*)
  - Presentation and interpretation: multiple methods are provided to determine statistical significance of signal hypotheses, and produce publication-quality tables and plot summarizing the fit results (*step 4*)

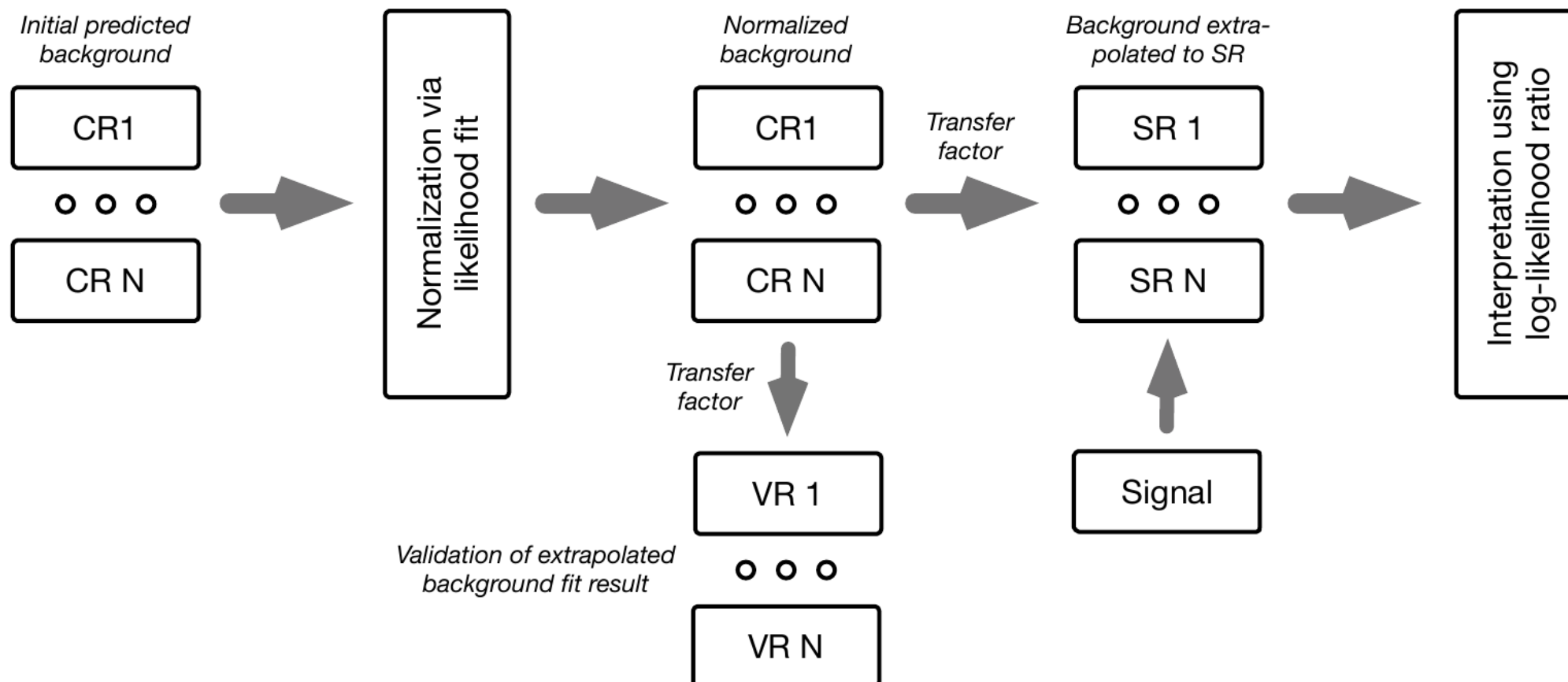
# Data analysis strategy

- Particle physics analyze large data samples for measurements of discovery
- Data interpretation relies on using external - simulation, Monte Carlo (MC) - predictions for backgrounds and signal
- HistFitter configures and builds parametric models from these predictions
- Typically one defines several phase space regions to study a specific phenomenon
- Definition depends on the purpose:
  - **Signal region:** signal-rich region (SR)
  - **Control region:** background-rich region (CR), fit simulated backgrounds to data
  - **Validation region:** validation of extrapolation (VR)
- Concepts of CR/SR/VR woven into the fabric of HistFitter



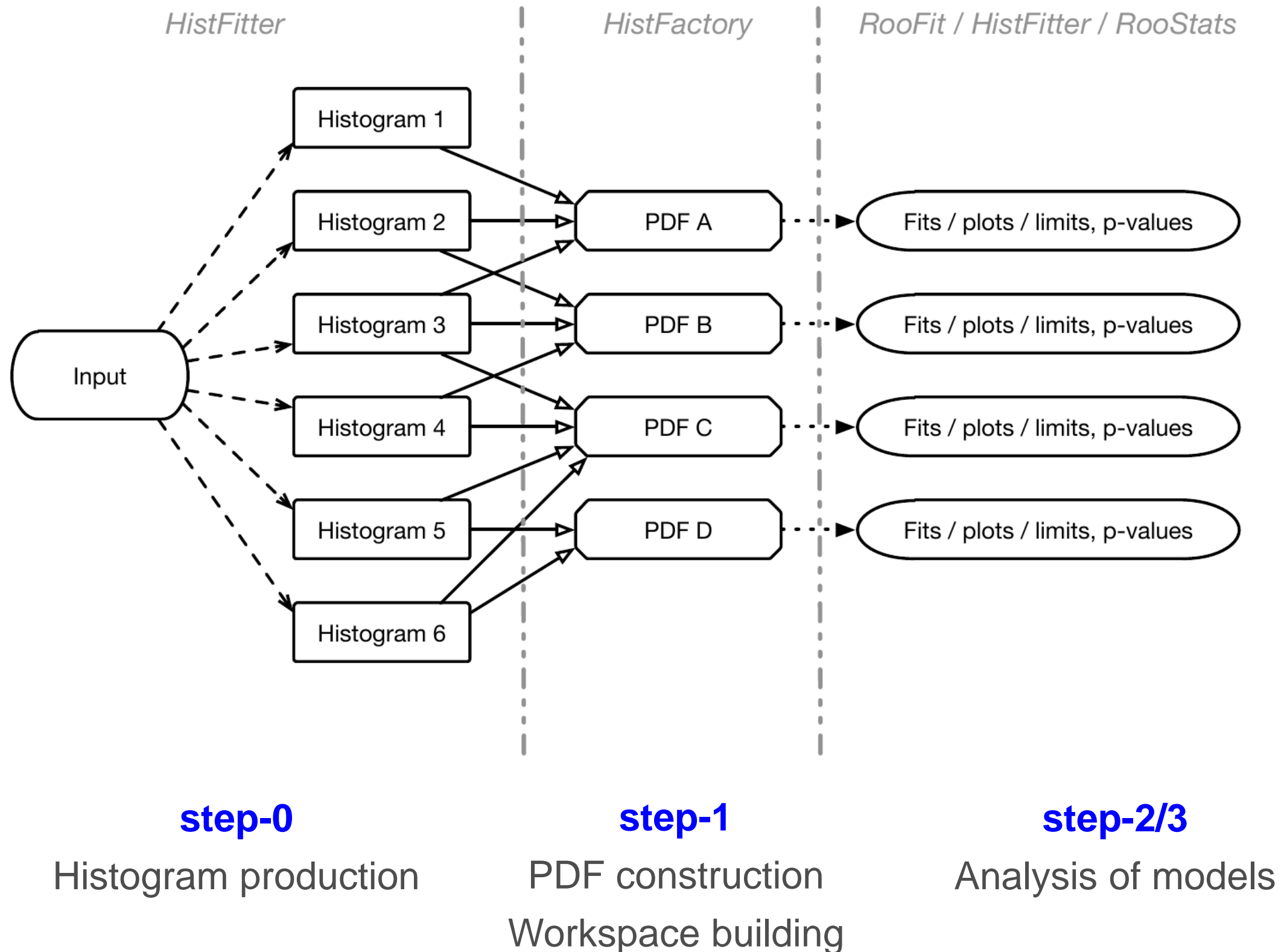
# Analysis strategy flow

- Each CR/VR/SR modeled by a separate PDF, combined in a simultaneous fit
- Parameters shared in all regions → consistent background/signal prediction and systematics
  - Sharing user-defined
- Analysis flow:
  - Backgrounds normalized to data in a fit of control regions
  - Extrapolate to validation/signal regions using transfer factors (ratio of events between CR and SR/VR)
  - If good agreement in VR, unblind the SR
  - If no excess, add signal prediction and interpret/set limits



# Processing sequence

- Based on user-defined configuration file, processing sequence of HistFitter split in three stages





# Model construction

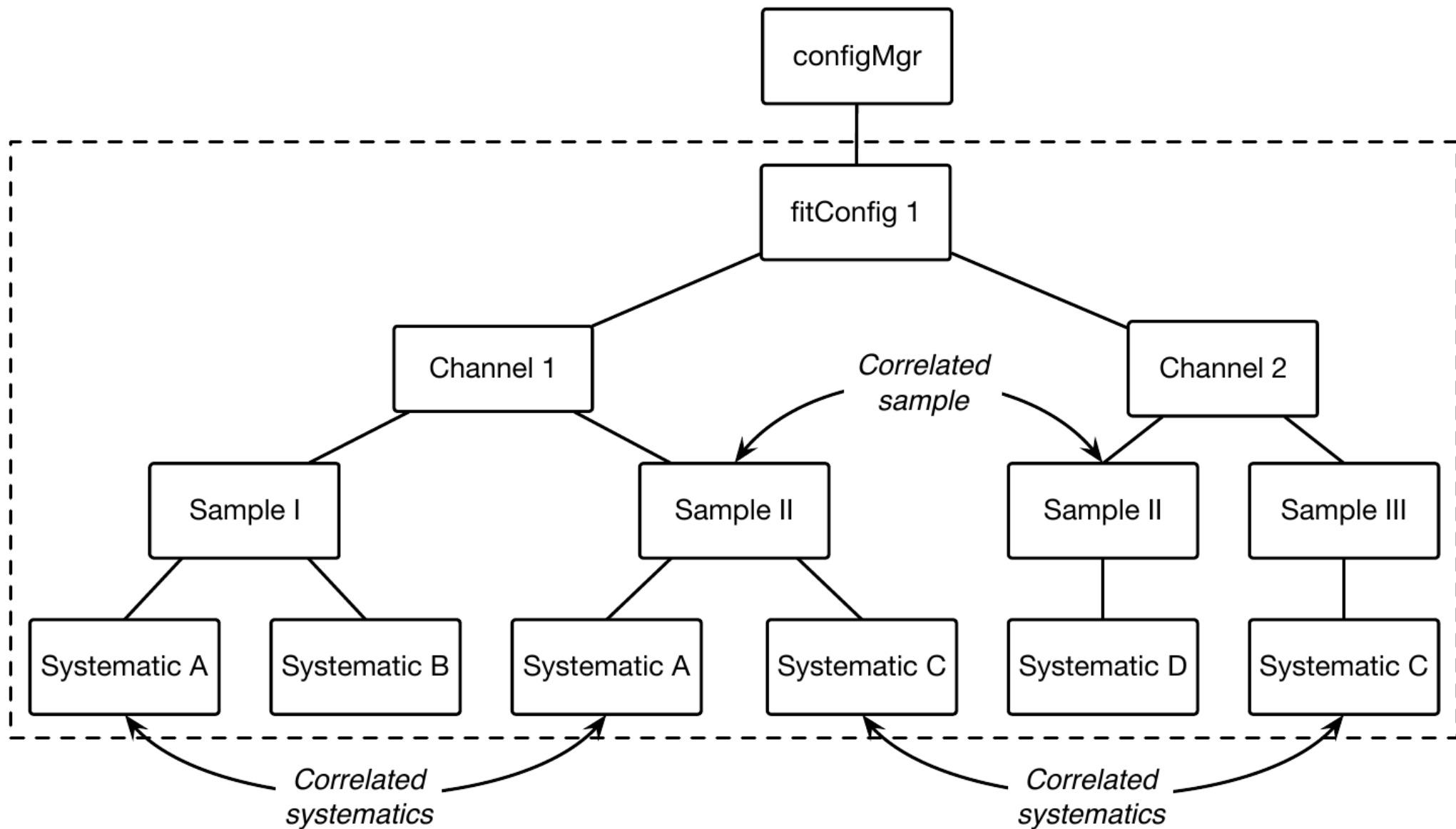
- Models constructed using HistFactory from input histograms
- General form of the constructed likelihood:

$$L(\mathbf{n}, \theta^0 | \mu_{\text{sig}}, \mathbf{b}, \theta) = P_{\text{SR}} \times P_{\text{CR}} \times C_{\text{syst}}$$

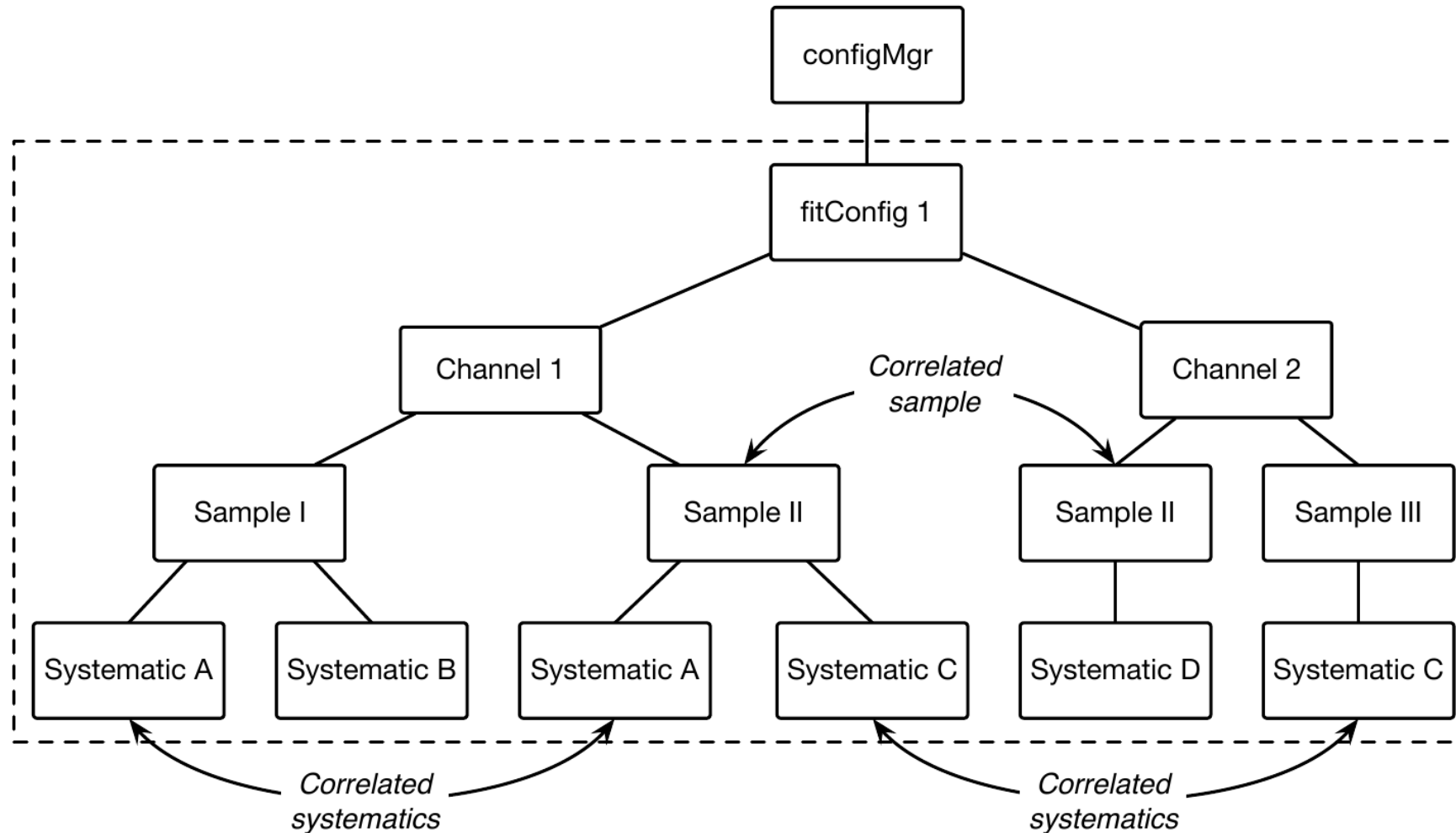
- P = Poisson measurements of number of observed events in CR/SR (VR)
- C = Constraint terms for systematic uncertainties, auxiliary measurements
- Likelihood depends on number of observed events in all regions (n), predictions for various background processes (b), the nuisance parameter ( $\theta$ ) parametrizing the systematic uncertainties with their central value ( $\theta^0$ ) and signal strength ( $\mu_{\text{sig}}$ )
- Likelihood has multiple building blocks:
  - Control/validation/signal regions: called `channel` in HistFitter (HistFactory)
  - Signal and background processes: called `sample` in HistFitter (HistFactory)
  - Uncertainties: called `systematic` in HistFitter (HistFactory)
    - Including statistical/theory/experimental uncertainties
- HistFitter is designed to build and manipulate PDFs of nearly arbitrary complexity
- Bookkeeping/configuration machinery realized through a user-defined Python configuration file
- Configuration manager (`configManager`) highest level (singleton) object in Python and C++
- Manages `fitConfig` objects that contain PDF and meta-data

# Fit configuration

- `fitConfig` objects summarize channels, samples and systematics together with corresponding input histograms



# Fit configuration properties



- `fitConfig`: can be cloned/extended (see next slide)
- `channels`: either single-bin or multi-bin (shape), property as CR/VR/SR
- `samples`: input from TTree, TH1 or raw (hard-coded) floats, correlated between channels
- `systematics`: provided as  $\pm 1\sigma$  variation of nominal histogram; input from TTree, TH1 or raw floats; can be correlated between samples and/or channels; many types available extended from HistFactory base types (see later); trickle-down mechanism (see backup)

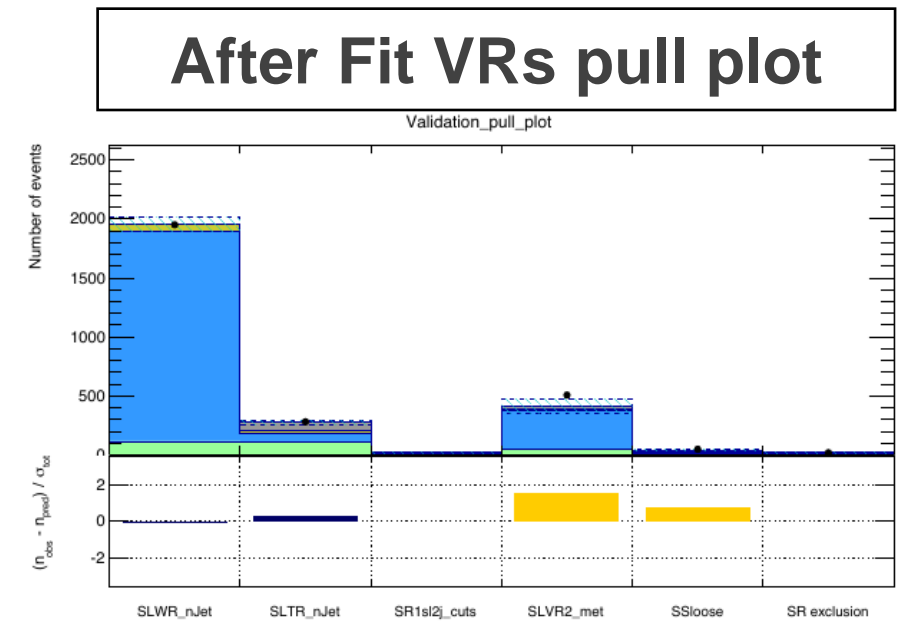
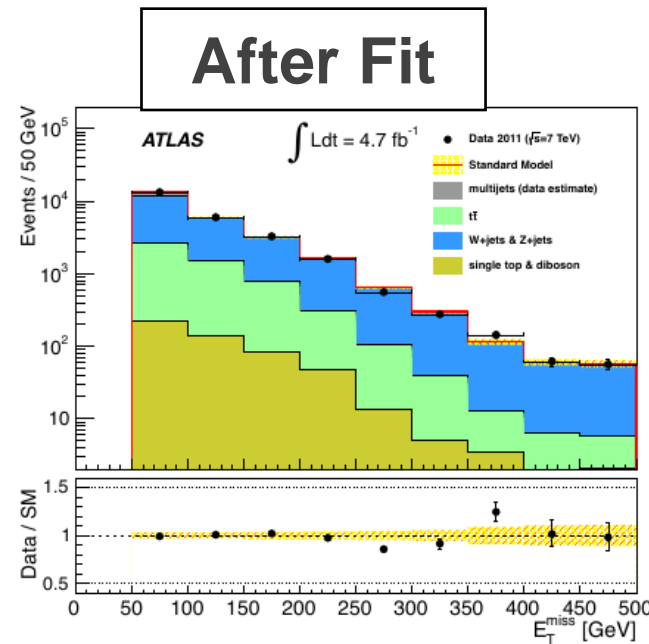
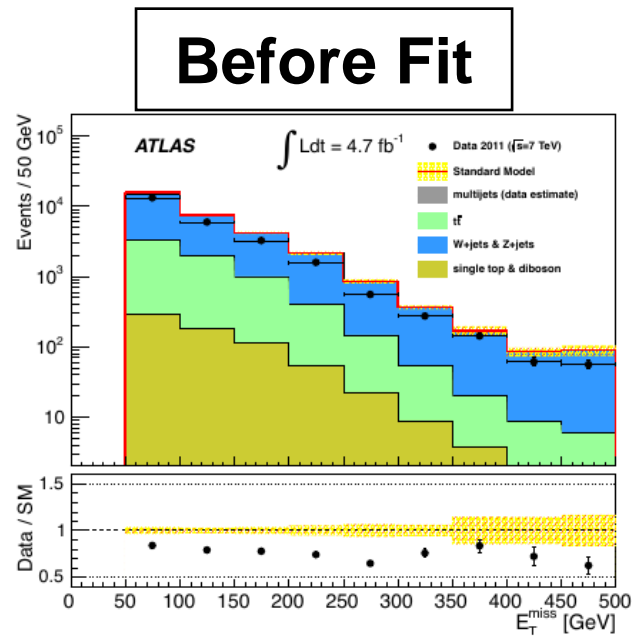
# Common fit strategies

- **Background-only fit:** estimate background yields in validation/signal regions; including only CRs in the fit to data; no signal component included in fit configuration
- **Model-dependent signal fit:** set exclusion limit on a specific signal model; possible use of multi-binned (or multi-SR) shape fit for a robust signal estimation - aka **exclusion fit**
- **Model-independent signal fit:** to obtain model-independent upper limits on number of BSM events beyond background prediction; only usable with one single-bin SR (otherwise not model-independent) - aka **discovery fit**

<b>Fit setup</b>	<i>Background-only fit</i>	<i>Model-dependent signal fit</i>	<i>Model-independent signal fit</i>
<b>Samples used</b>	backgrounds	backgrounds + signal	backgrounds + dummy signal
<b>Fit regions</b>	CR(s)	CR(s) + SR(s)	CR(s) + SR

# Presentation of results

- HistFitter includes a collection of tools (scripts/functions) to present/understand fit results



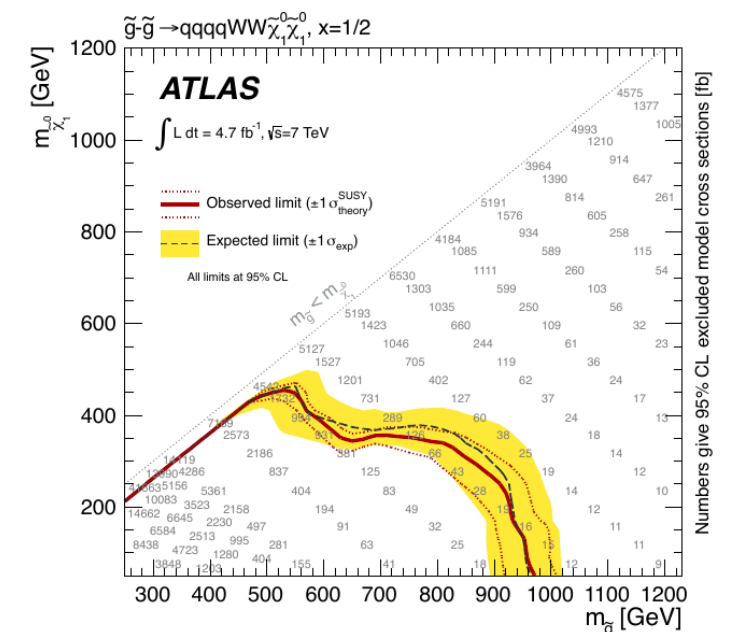
## Yields Table

Signal Region	SR1	SR2
Observed events	16	19
Fitted bkg events	$19.54 \pm 3.93$	$20.47 \pm 5.14$
Fitted Top events	$4.02 \pm 0.96$	$4.32 \pm 1.04$
Fitted V+jets events	$9.89 \pm 1.86$	$10.47 \pm 1.91$
Fitted other background events	$1.14 \pm 0.15$	$1.19 \pm 0.16$
Fitted QCD events	$4.49 \pm 2.72$	$4.49 \pm 4.24$
MC exp. SM events	24.85	26.32
MC exp. Top events	8.42	9.11
MC exp. V+jets events	10.82	11.55
MC exp. other background events	1.13	1.17
Data-driven exp. QCD events	4.49	4.49

## Systematics Table

Uncertainty of channel	SR1	SR2
Total background expectation	19.54	20.47
Total statistical ( $\sqrt{N_{exp}}$ )	$\pm 4.42$	$\pm 4.52$
Total background systematic	$\pm 3.93$ [20.14%]	$\pm 5.14$ [25.09%]
QCD background	$\pm 2.66$	$\pm 4.20$
Statistical uncertainties	$\pm 2.54$	$\pm 1.86$
Jet Energy Scale	$\pm 1.15$	$\pm 1.17$
Top yield	$\pm 0.82$	$\pm 0.88$
Renormalization scale (Top)	$\pm 0.34$	$\pm 0.39$
V+jets yields	$\pm 0.28$	$\pm 0.29$
Renormalization scale (V+jets)	$\pm 0.14$	$\pm 0.03$

## Exclusion contour with upper limits



## Model-independent upper limits

Signal channel	$\langle \sigma_{vis} \rangle_{obs}^{95}$ [fb]	$S_{obs}^{95}$	$S_{exp}^{95}$	$p(s=0)$
SR3b	0.19	3.9	$4.4^{+1.7}_{-0.6}$	0.50
SR0b	0.80	16.3	$8.9^{+3.6}_{-2.0}$	0.03



# HistFitter & documentation

- HistFitter paper on arXiv: <http://arxiv.org/abs/1410.1280>
- HistFitter webpage with doxygen documentation: <http://cern.ch/histfitter>
- Tutorial (to be discussed next): <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/Main/HistFitterTutorialOutsideAtlas>
- ACAT 2014 talk on HistFitter: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/258092/session/8/contribution/39>

# HistFitter tutorial

# Running HistFitter

- `HistFitter.py <options> <configuration_file>`
- **-t**: Create histograms in all regions used for all backgrounds, signal, data from TTrees
- **-w**: Build workspaces from histograms
- **-f**: Fit
- **-D**: various drawing options, to be discussed later
- **-L**: log level {VERBOSE,DEBUG,INFO,WARNING,ERROR,FATAL,ALWAYS}
- **-m PARAM**: run Minos for asymmetric error calculation
  - optionally give parameter names comma separated; for all parameters use 'ALL' or 'all'
- **-l**: Calculate upper limit
- **-p**: Calculate the CLs value for a specific signal model (for exclusion)
- **-i**: interactive mode, keeps you in python command line, but shows plots on your screen
  
- To see all options run: `HistFitter.py --help`

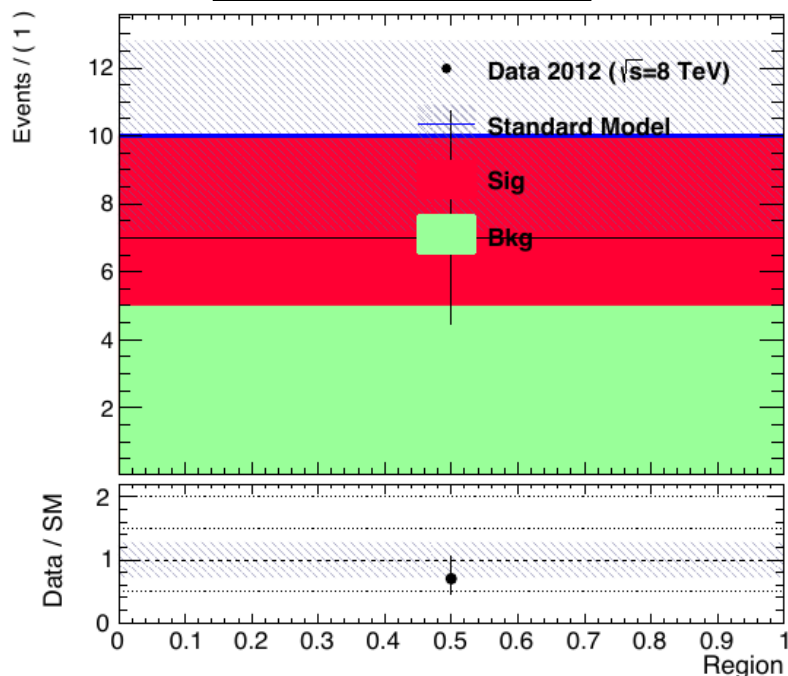
# Simple example

- Simple example with one region with one bin:

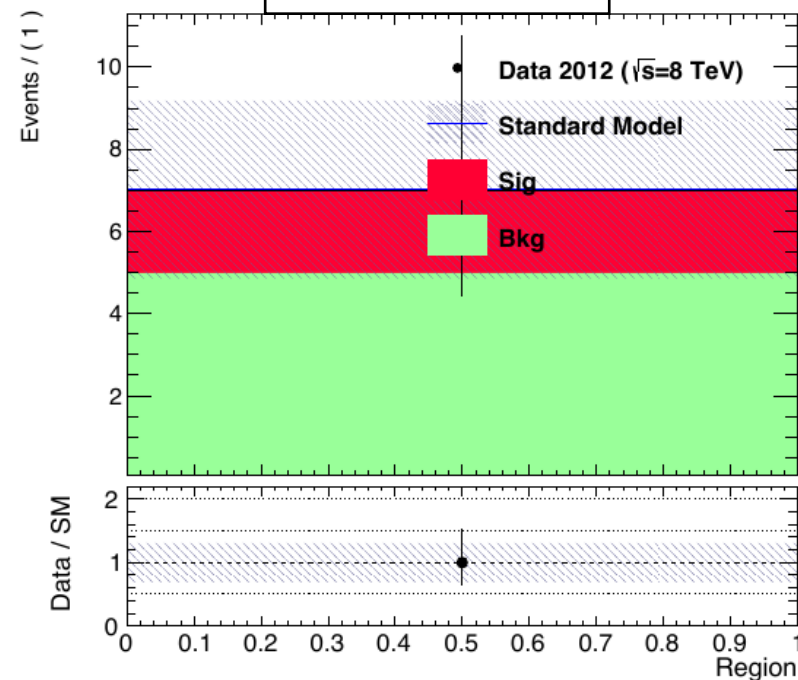
```
HistFitter.py -w -f -D "before,after,corrMatrix" -i  
analysis/tutorial/MyUserAnalysis.py
```

- Creates the workspace
- Runs the fit
- Plots before/after fit regions and correlation matrix
- Keeps you in interactive mode

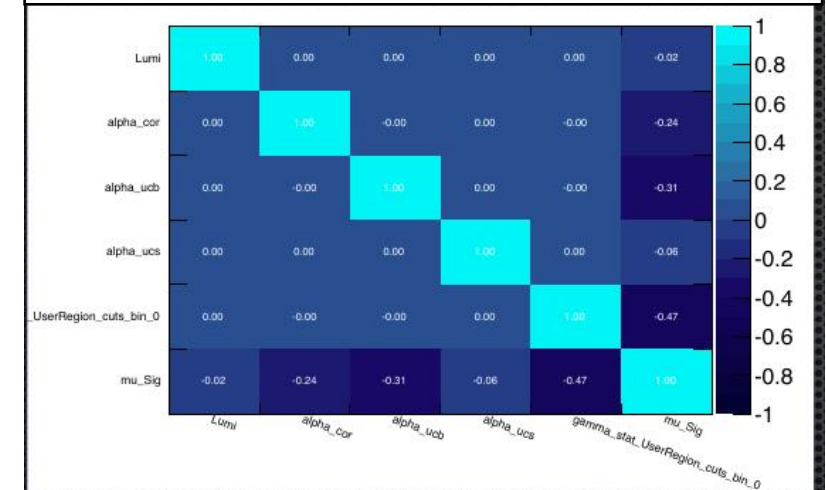
**Before Fit**



**After Fit**



**correlations matrix**



-D corrMatrix

# Config file explained - I

- Define a configManager and setup a fitConfig ana named SPlusB
- ```
from configManager import configMgr  
ana = configMgr.addFitConfig("SPlusB")
```
- Add one channel/region to the fitConfig
- ```
chan = ana.addChannel("cuts", ["UserRegion"], 1, 0.5, 1.5)
```
- One defines the region/channel in cutsDict (as one would in ROOT for TTree call)
- Here include all:
- ```
configMgr.cutsDict["UserRegion"] = "1."
```
- Channels can also be binned (shape-fit)
- ```
chan = ana.addChannel("myObs", ["mySelection"], nBins, varLow,  
varHigh)
```



# Config file explained - II

- Define samples: `bkgSample`, `sigSample` and `dataSample`

- # Define samples

```
bkgSample = Sample("Bkg", kGreen-9) # define a background sample with color KGreen-9 if plotting
bkgSample.setStatConfig(True) #This sample gets statistical uncertainties
bkgSample.buildHisto([nbkg], "UserRegion", "cuts") #Build histograms from numbers defined by
the user
```

```
bkgSample.buildStatErrors([nbkgErr], "UserRegion", "cuts")
```

```
sigSample = Sample("Sig", kPink) #A signal sample with color kPink
```

```
sigSample.setNormFactor("mu_Sig", 1., 0., 100.) # This samples receives a normalization
parameter
```

```
sigSample.setStatConfig(True) #This sample gets statistical uncertainties
```

```
sigSample.setNormByTheory() # and uncertainties due to the luminosity are added
```

```
sigSample.buildHisto([nsig], "UserRegion", "cuts")
```

```
sigSample.buildStatErrors([nsigErr], "UserRegion", "cuts")
```

```
dataSample = Sample("Data", kBlack) #Data sample
```

```
dataSample.setData()
```

```
dataSample.buildHisto([ndata], "UserRegion", "cuts")
```

```
# add all samples to the fitconfig object and thus to all channels
```

```
ana.addSamples([bkgSample, sigSample, dataSample])
```

# Config file explained - III

- Add systematics to signal/background samples
- Correlating systematics happens by giving them the same name

- **# Set uncorrelated systematics for bkg and signal (1 +- relative uncertainties)**

```
ucb = Systematic("ucb", configMgr.weights, 1.2,0.8, "user","userOverallSys")
```

```
ucs = Systematic("ucs", configMgr.weights, 1.1,0.9, "user","userOverallSys")
```

```
# correlated systematic between background and signal (1 +- relative uncertainties)
```

```
corb = Systematic("cor",configMgr.weights, [1.1],[0.9], "user","userHistoSys")
```

```
cors = Systematic("cor",configMgr.weights, [1.15],[0.85],
```

```
"user","userHistoSys")
```

```
bkgSample.addSystematic(corb)
```

```
bkgSample.addSystematic(ucb)
```

```
sigSample.addSystematic(cors)
```

```
sigSample.addSystematic(ucs)
```

# Table production

- **YieldsTable.py** produces customizable tables of yields before/after fit
- Example: `YieldsTable.py -s Top,WZ,BG,QCD -c SLWR_nJet,SLTR_nJet -w results/MyConfigExample/BkgOnly_combined_NormalMeasurement_model_afterFit.root -o MyYieldsTable.tex`

<b>table.results.yields channel</b>	SLWR_nJet	SLTR_nJet	SR1sl2j	SS_metmeff2Jet
Observed events	1794	269	25	26
Fitted bkg events	1800.73 ± 39.91	262.45 ± 11.47	28.53 ± 5.26	31.74 ± 8.50
Fitted Top events	117.20 ± 11.42	113.20 ± 12.53	6.17 ± 1.12	6.65 ± 1.26
Fitted WZ events	1629.37 ± 42.19	69.75 ± 6.63	13.95 ± 2.03	14.57 ± 1.98
Fitted BG events	43.49 ± 1.90	23.19 ± 1.94	0.96 ± 0.32	1.00 ± 0.32
Fitted QCD events	10.64 ± 0.51	56.30 ± 13.65	7.44 ± 3.75	9.52 ± 7.54
MC exp. SM events	1921.26	261.96	32.04	35.35
MC exp. Top events	165.16	153.98	8.75	9.38
MC exp. WZ events	1647.04	66.30	15.26	15.82
MC exp. BG events	40.96	25.03	0.59	0.63
data-driven exp. QCD events	68.06	16.64	7.44	9.52

- **SysTable.py** produces customizable tables of systematic breakdown per region (or sample)
- Example: `SysTable.py -w results/MyConfigExample/BkgOnly_combined_NormalMeasurement_model_afterFit.root -c SR1sl2j -o systable_SR1sl2j.tex`

<b>Uncertainty of channel</b>	SR1sl2j
Total background expectation	28.53
Total statistical ( $\sqrt{N_{\text{exp}}}$ )	±5.34
Total background systematic	±5.26 [18.43%]
gamma_stat_SR1sl2j_cuts_bin_0	±3.63
alpha_QCDNorm_SR1sl2j	±3.63
alpha_JES	±0.93
mu_Top	±0.65
alpha_KtScaleTop	±0.52
alpha_KtScaleWZ	±0.37
mu_WZ	±0.36

# Signal model hypothesis test

- Once you have unblinded your SR, one can calculate the CLs/p-value on specific signal models using the exclusion fit (aka model-dependent fit setup)

- As simple in HistFitter as calling:

```
HistFitter.py -p analysis/tutorial/MyUserAnalysis.py
```

- Will calculate:

- CLs observed = taking N observed events as data in all regions
- CLs expected = taking N expected events as data in all regions
- CLs expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  experimental uncertainty = N expected as data,  $\pm 1\sigma$  fit results
  - yellow band next slide
- CLs observed  $\pm 1\sigma$  signal theory uncertainty = N observed as data,  $\pm 1\sigma$  signal theory
  - need to set the name of the signal theory uncertainty systematic as `Systematic("SigXSec", ...)`
  - red-dotted lines next slide

- Setting calculator and test statistic type can be set in configManager (see backup):

```
## setting the parameters of the hypothesis test
#configMgr.nTOYs=5000
configMgr.calculatorType=2 # 2=asymptotic calculator, 0=frequentist calculator
configMgr.testStatType=3 # 3=one-sided profile likelihood test statistic (LHC default)
configMgr.nPoints=20 # number of values scanned of signal-strength for upper-limit
determination of signal strength.
```

- Result of '-p' stored in a ROOT file with 'hypotest' in the name:

```
results/MySimpleChannelAnalysis_fixSigXSecNominal_hypotest.root
```

# Contour plot explained

- <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasProtected/SUSYLimitPlotting>

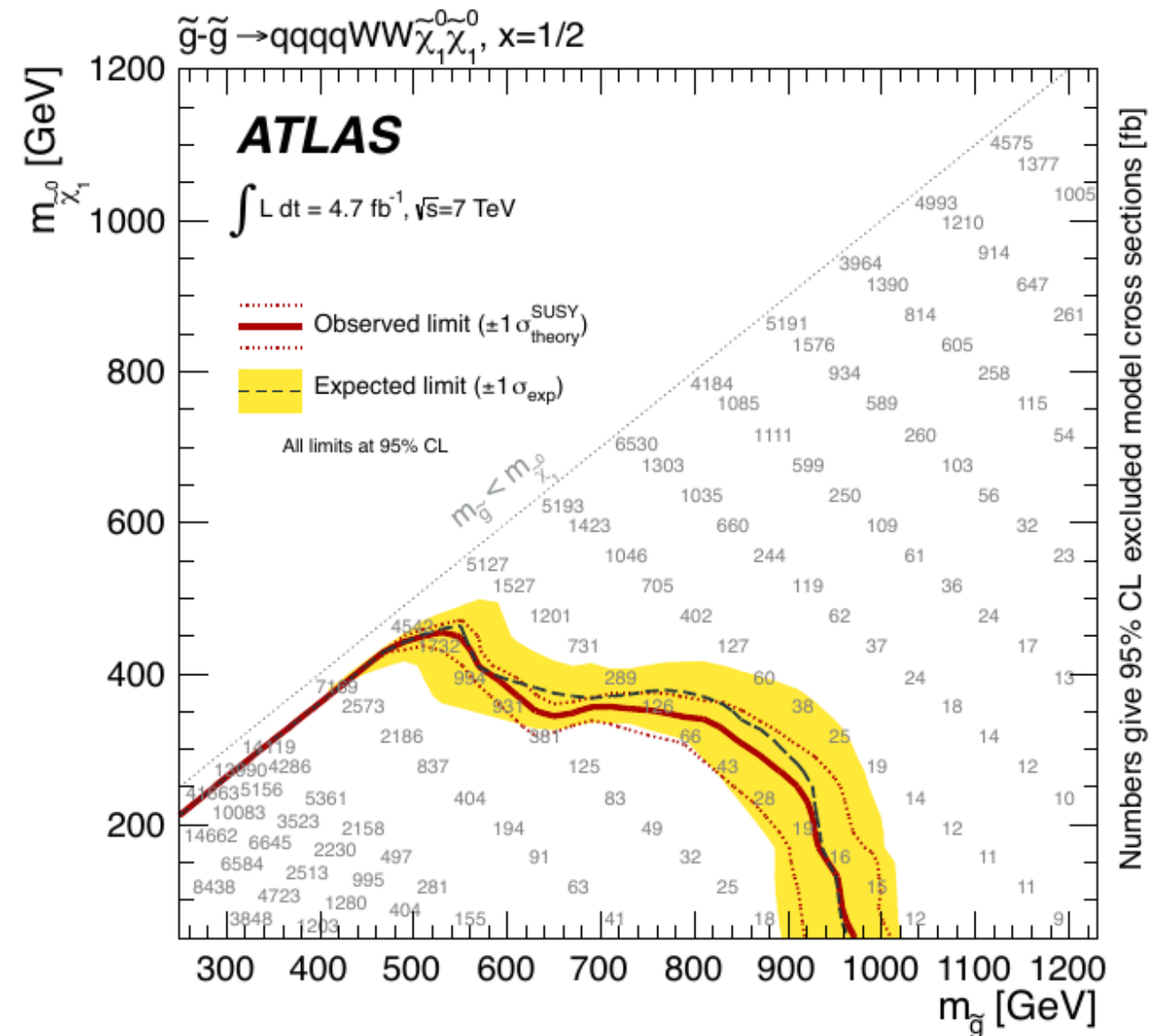
## Description of limit lines

The model limits should be computed using the [HistFitter package](#). We present the following limits:

1. **Observed limit** (thick solid dark-red line): all uncertainties are included in the fit as nuisance parameters, with the exception of the theoretical signal uncertainties (PDF, scales).
2. **Expected limit** (less thick long-dashed dark-blue line): all uncertainties are included in the fit as nuisance parameters, with the exception of the theoretical signal uncertainties (PDF, scales).

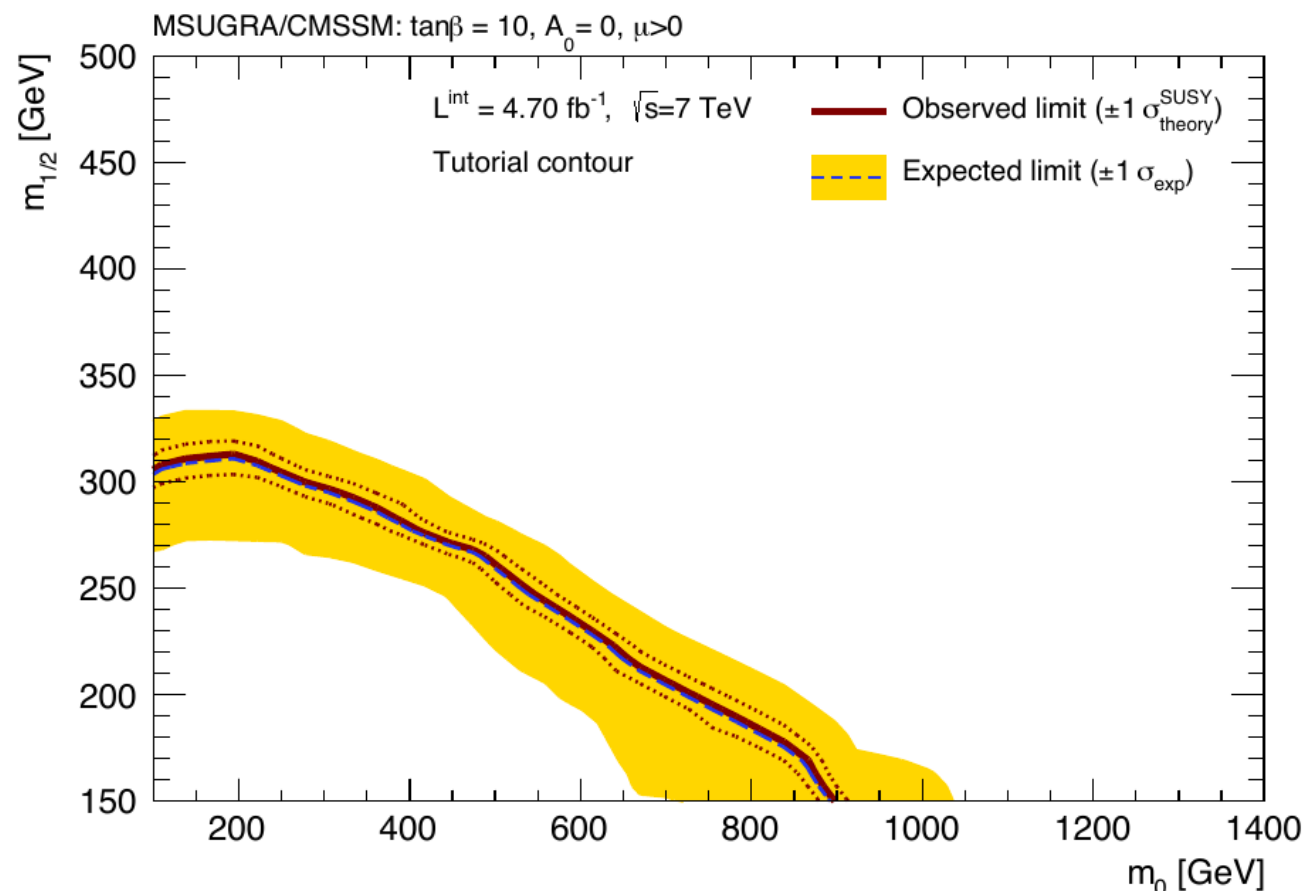
We present the following uncertainty bands:

- $\pm 1\sigma$  lines around observed limit (1) with style "thin dark-red dotted": re-run limit calculation (1) while increasing or decreasing the signal cross section by the theoretical signal uncertainties (PDF, scales).
- $\pm 1\sigma$  band around expected limit (2) with style "yellow band": the band contours are the  $\pm 1\sigma$  results of the fit (2).



# Contour plot production

- Typically a grid of signal model points with varying signal parameters ( $m_H$  or  $m_{\text{gluino}}$ ) get processed to produce an exclusion contour
- Five steps to produce (Part 5 of tutorial):
  1. run hypothesis tests over all grid points (results saved in multiple *hypotest* files)
  2. merge all the output root files into one using `hadd` (if stored in a separate files)
  3. transform this set of hypothesis tests into a plain-text file: `makelistfiles.C`
  4. create TH2D(s) from the ascii data in this list file: `makecontourhists.C`
  5. plot TH2D(s) to draw contour lines and cosmetics: `makecontourplots.C`
- at the requested CLs level, typically 95% CL,  $CL_s < 0.05$



# Signal strength upper limit

- Once you have unblinded your SR, one can set upper limits on specific signal models using the exclusion fit (aka model-dependent fit setup)
- As simple in HistFitter as calling:

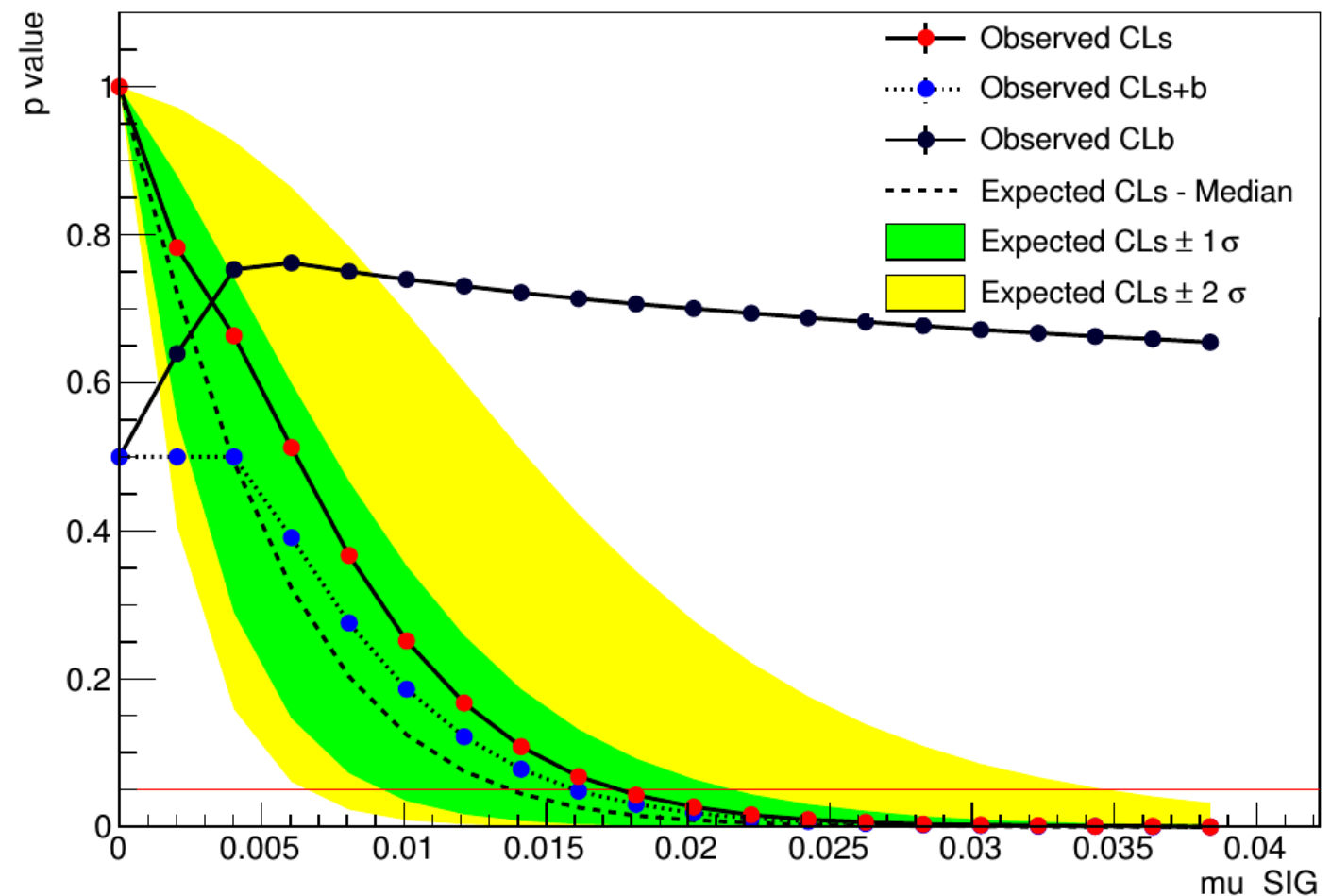
```
HistFitter.py -l analysis/tutorial/MyUserAnalysis.py
```

- Technicalities similar to '-p'

- Hypothesis test *inversion*:

- find the value of  $\mu_{\text{SIG}}$  for which CLs below 0.05 (or other required value)
  - instead of calculating the p-value for the specific signal
- run the hypothesis test for increasing values of signal strength  $\mu_{\text{SIG}}$ 
  - scan range determined automatically
  - upper limit on cross section = nominal cross section  $\times$  upper limit on signal strength (grey numbers in contour plots, run for each signal grid point)

Asymptotic CL Scan for workspace result\_mu\_SIG





# Model-independent upper limit

- Calculate the upper limit on the number of BSM physics events that we exclude in our SR
  - Typically used by theorists to check their favorite BSM model, that we have not looked at
- Requires the model-independent fit setup - aka discovery fit
  - ‘dummy signal’ = exactly one event in signal region (none in CRs)
  - upper limit on this ‘dummy signal’ = upper limit on BSM number of events
- Use the **UpperLimitTable.py** script:

```
UpperLimitTable.py -c SS -w
```

```
results/MyUpperLimitAnalysis_SS/SPlusB_combined_NormalMeasurement_model.root -  
l 4.713 -n 1000
```

- Results in LaTeX table:

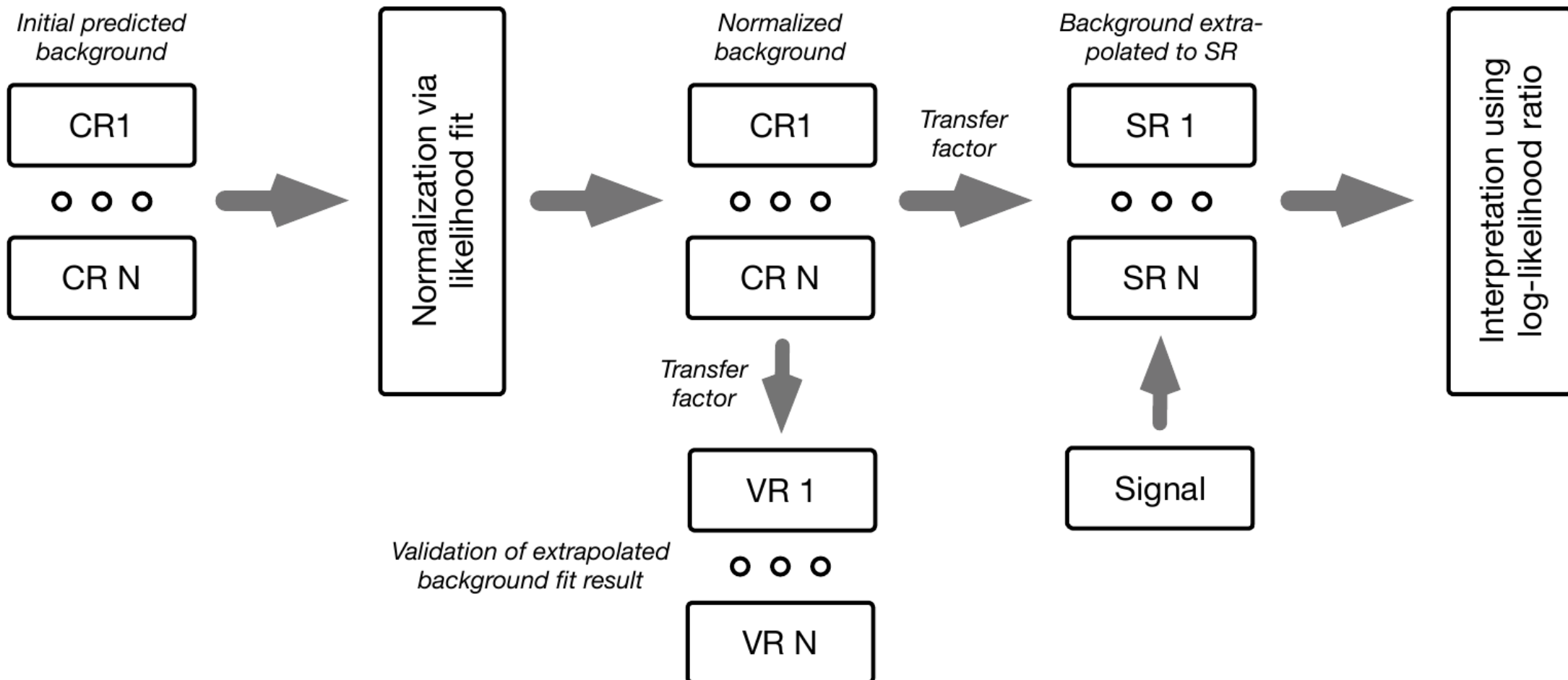
Signal channel	$\langle \epsilon \sigma \rangle_{\text{obs}}^{95} [\text{fb}]$	$S_{\text{obs}}^{95}$	$S_{\text{exp}}^{95}$	$CL_B$	$p(s = 0)$
SS	1.73	8.2	$6.1^{+2.3}_{-1.3}$	0.80	0.21

- $\langle \sigma_{\text{vis}} \rangle_{95\_obs}$  : 95% CL upper limits on the visible cross section obs
- $S_{95\_obs}$  : 95% CL upper limits on the number of signal events obs
- $S_{95\_exp}$  : 95% CL upper limit on the number of signal events, given the expected number (and  $\pm 1\sigma$  excursions on the expectation) of background events
- $CL_B$ : the confidence level observed for the background-only hypothesis
- $p(s = 0)$ : discovery p-value - the probability, capped at 0.5, that a background-only experiment is more signal-like than the observed number of events in a signal region

# HistFitter - tutorial

## HistFitter Tutorial - Parts 1 & 2 & 3

## Parts 4 & 5



# HistFitter tutorial start up

- A public version is available on the HistFitter webpage:

<http://histfitter.web.cern.ch/histfitter/Software/Install/index.html>

**We use HistFitter-2.0.tar.gz for this tutorial.**

- **Installation instructions:**

- Untar the HistFitter package
- Setup ROOT (if not already done)
- Go to the HistFitter directory `cd HistFitter-2.0`
- Run the HistFitter setup script `source setup.sh`
- Go to the `src/` directory and compile the C++ side of HistFitter `cd src && make`
- Go back to the main HistFitter directory

- **Input data here:**

- Link the input data to your HistFitter directory as follows:
- `ln -s /project/etp3/jlorenz/shape_fit/samples/ samples`